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MRS. BRANDES BEAT LILLIAN

Accused Woman on Trial For Murdering Her Step-Daughter.

Mrs. Etta Brandes is on trial for her life, accused of having murdered, or of being an accessory, at least, to the murder of a child—her stepdaughter. The case bears all the sensational features of a murder trial, heightened by the fact that a woman is the prisoner. It is unlike the Botkin case, however, inasmuch as a depth of depravity is here apparent which does not hang about the notorious trial now in progress in San Francisco. The two women, however, are linked by the law in the common bonds, each being charged with the taking of human life.

No struggling crowd fought for admission to the Brandes examination. Instead, the rough benches of the Justice Court were partially filled with idle hangers-on, who had probably no other place to go.

Mrs. Brandes, pale, thin, faced and plainly attired, occupied a seat beside her attorneys, Sawyer and Bennett. Her face was screened by a heavy black cotton veil, which, however, failed to hide her reddened eyes, about which dark circles told of mental suffering.

The horrible death of Lillian Brandes is too fresh in the public mind to need rehearsing. It is claimed that either Mr. or Mrs. Brandes beat her to death for alleged wrong-doing, but the State hopes to prove that the innocent child was made the scape-goat for the husband, who, it is alleged, spent money on women, and to delude his wife then declared Lillian had stolen it. A mythical bottle of strychnine also figures in the case. This Brandes claims the girl stole from his office, though from what motive he cannot state. No one has been found who ever saw the poison bottle, and the inference is that Brandes had concocted the story in the hope of making it appear that the girl wanted to commit suicide.

The evidence of the prosecution so far submitted shows that Mrs. Brandes severely beat the little child with a hose and a hickory stick. From expert medical testimony it appears the child died from the effects of some beating.

There was but a handful of idle curiosity seekers in attendance at the preliminary examination of Mrs. Etta Brandes in Judge Clift's court room this morning.

P. A. Haviland was the first witness put upon the stand by District Attorney Allen. Haviland is the civil engineer who drew the maps of the Brandes home and surroundings. He had previously testified at the examination of W. A. Brandes, and as the attorneys declared the testimony would be the same in this case, the former evidence was admitted without rehearsal.

W. A. Richardson, who knew of the beatings received by the poor child and had heard her cries, next took the stand for the prosecution. He lived next door to the Brandes family, his house being situated within a foot of their windows. He had heard the cries of the murdered girl and had testified to this effect at the examination of Brandes. As a consequence his testimony was admitted as in the reporter's notes.

J. S. Harvey was the next witness. He had had a conversation with Mrs. Brandes at the time he was helping Lillian hunt for an empty bottle of poison supposed to have been dropped in her back yard. The girl was made to make this search by her step-mother, who claimed she had stolen the bottle from her father's office.

"Mrs. Brandes at the time," declared the witness, "asked me what I was doing. I replied that I was helping Lillian to find the bottle. She then said, 'You are only wasting your sympathy. She is a bad girl.' I remarked that she was yet young, when Mrs. Brandes said: 'She is 16 and knows about as much as you do.'"

On cross-examination witness expressed his opinion that Mrs. Brandes had referred to Lillian's disposition and not her character.

MRS. BRANDES HAD BEATEN LILLIAN.

Deputy Sheriff Al White was next called. He knew Brandes, who lived at 2294 Telegraph avenue. He had made a search of the property on November 21st and took away the club in evidence in the W. A. Brandes case. Witness knew Etta Brandes and had had a conversation with her on the evening of the 20th. They had talked about Lillian Brandes.

"She stated to Mr. Jordan, of the Examiner, in my presence, declared White, "that Brandes had not beaten the child, but that she had whipped her with a piece of hose and a hickory stick. I could not find either the stick or the hose, though I searched for them. She talked with me coming in from Berkeley, admitting that she had whipped the child severely on the Wednesday previous. This statement was made voluntarily."

On cross-examination White thought that both Mrs. Kennedy and Detective Herbert had been present at the time of one of these conversations. Mrs. Brandes was not then under arrest.

J. S. Harvey was re-called and stated that he knew Lillian had resided continuously with Mrs. Brandes up to the time of her death, during a period of about five months.

Mrs. M. Godfrey of Piedmont was called to the stand by the prosecution. She testified to knowing Mr. and Mrs. Brandes and was at their home on November 15th. She did not know Lillian Brandes, but knew she was present in the house at the time and had a conversation with Mrs. Etta Brandes concerning the girl.

"I asked her what was going on, for I heard the noise," declared the witness. Mrs. Brandes made a remark and I think I asked her what her husband was scolding Lillian for. She answered that the girl was of a peculiar temperment, had stolen and was a liar. In fact she said she was always stealing."

A portion of her former testimony was shown witness, in substance as already noted. Witness identified her testimony, adding that Mrs. Brandes was emphatic in calling Lillian a liar and had said she "hated a liar."

Deputy Coroner Henry Quellin next took the stand. He had received a package from D. Buteau at the morgue, which he delivered to Professor Colby at the State University.

Mrs. Catherine Kennedy, who now has charge of the Brandes' boy was the next witness. She knew Mr. and Mrs. Brandes and Lillian. The latter had lived with Mrs. Brandes for five months.

Mrs. Kennedy is the woman who has been spending her time with Mrs. Brandes in the County Jail of late and the prosecution had hoped to prove by her that Mrs. Brandes had admitted beating the child. However, it is evident that influence has been at work upon the woman, for she flatly denied upon the stand that she had ever spoken to Mrs. Brandes relative to Lillian, though she had previously told Deputy Sheriff White that she had.

Harvey was once more called. He declared that he had seen hose on the Brandes' place. There was a garden hose in the front yard and a piece about five feet long in the carriage house. He thought it was an old piece formerly used in the garden. It had been hung for sometime on a nail in the carriage house. There was a coupling on one end which he thought was a part of the sprayer.

On cross-examination witness was positive that Mrs. Brandes had told him Lillian was 16 years of age.

"Didn't you say to Mrs. Brandes at the time, that the girl was vexatious and should be sent home?" queried Attorney Bennett.

"I don't recall such a statement, though I might have," was the reply.

"Didn't you know that Mrs. Brandes said she was to make a change in a few days and send the girl back?" asked Bennett.

"She may have said so, though I don't remember it," answered the witness.

DEATH WAS CAUSED BY A BEATING

Dr. H. A. Rowell of Berkeley reiterated his former expert testimony relative to the examination of Lillian Brandes' body. He declared her death to have been caused by blows over the head administered by either a hose or a club.

Prof. George Colby, analytical chemist of the University, who had examined the stomach of the dead girl, reaffirmed his testimony and declared there was no poison in the stomach. Since then he had made anither examination for morphine poisoning, but had found no signs of any.

"Did you find any poison of any kind in the stomach?" questioned District Attorney Allen.

"None whatever," was the emphatic answer.

Dr. George F. Whitworth, who called at the Brandes home at the time of the death of Lillian, next testified.

"I was summoned to the house," he stated in response to a question, "and as Mrs. Brandes took me down stairs she said she thought the girl was shamming, as her body was still warm. I asked her who the girl was and she replied that Mr. Brandes could tell me. She then asked me whether it would be necessary for a public investigation and I told her it would be."

On cross-examination witness declared he did not at that time know positively that the woman he saw was Mrs. Brandes, nor could he positively identify the prisoner, though he believed she was the same person.

Dr. Whitworth's former testimony describing how he had found the body of the girl on the bed and to the fact that the body was yet warm when he discovered it, was then admitted in the form of the notes of the stenographer.

No other witnesses for the prosecution were in court at this time, so the case was continued until 2:30 o'clock this afternoon, when Dr. Easton, Mrs Kennedy, Dr. Buteau and Deputy Sheriff White will give testimony.

Dr. Easton is a strong pillar for the prosecution, as he declares the child met her death at the hands of some one who beat her over the head with a piece of hose.

The preliminary examination will be concluded this afternoon, and it is already foreshadowed that Mrs. Brandes will be held with her husband to answer to the Superior Court for the girl's murder.

PROCEEDINGS OF TEACHERS' CONVENTION.

F. L. Burk of Santa Barbara Elected President.

Sacramento Chosen as the Next Meeting Place.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire.

SANTA ROSA, Cal., Dec. 28.—The second day's session of the State Teachers' Association held in the Fifth street Methodist Church was very largely attended. Unusual interest was manifested in the proceedings.

At the commencement of the session Rev. L. D. Rathbone offered prayer. Professor William Carey Jones of the University of California delivered an address on "Some Prospects of Californian Civilization," which was well received. Miss Jane Seymour Klink of San Francisco spoke on "Teachers' Clubs," urging their formation to promote an aristocracy of the intellect and for social and intellectual advancement of the teachers. Miss Eliza D. Keith of San Francisco spoke of "The School and the Home," showing the close relationship which should exist. Hon. Charles T. Meredith, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, delivered an address on "Coming Education."

After a short recess there was singing by the Etude Club Trio. Short addresses were made on behalf of the meeting of the National Educational Association of Los Angeles next July. Resolutions were carried for the hearty endorsement of the association meeting of the N. E. A. at Los Angeles. President Childs appointed a committee on resolutions as follows: W. H. D. Raymond, Superintendent Barr, Washington Wilson and Miss Kate Ames. The election of officers for the ensuing year followed. For the office of president F. L. Burk of Santa Barbara and J. W. McClymonds of Oakland were nominated. Burk received 176 votes, McClymonds 101. Burk was unanimously elected.

Dr. Brown of Berkeley was nominated, but withdrew. Mrs. Fitzgerald of San Francisco, secretary; F. K. Barthel of San Jose, assistant secretary; F. F. Bunker of Santa Rosa, railroad secretary, were re-elected. A. S. Barker of Salinas and Professor Faulkener of San Francisco were elected vice presidents, and Philip Prior of San Francisco was elected treasurer. Sacramento was chosen as the next place of meeting.

President-elect Burk was formerly principal of schools of Santa Rosa, but later filled the chair of pedagogy at the Clark University, Worcester, Mass. At present he is City Superintendent of Schools of Santa Barbara. He is the author of many national educational works.

MILLIONAIRE GRAIN EXPORTER DYING.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Dec. 28.—Charles F. Orthwein, formerly of the firm of Orthwein Brothers, members of the Merchants' Exchange and one of the heaviest exporters of grain in the Missippi Valley is reported dying at his home in this city. He has been suffering for the past five weeks with enlargement of the liver. Recently Mr. Orthwein was compelled to take to his bed, and today is reported to be in a comatose condition.

Mr. Orthwein ships great quantities of grain from Galveston, and his firm has branches in New Orleans, Kansas City and elsewhere. With Charles F. Orthwein are associated his sons.

Recently, with Corwin H. Spencer, Mr. Orthwein purchased the Hamliton system of street railways of this city, giving therefore his personal check for $2,800,000. His fortune aggregates several million dollars.

CATLIN BROTHERS' BANK STILL SOLVENT.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire.

ABILINE, Kas., Dec. 28.—A dispatch from Miltonvale says the statement sent out from there yesterday to the effect that the Miltonvale Bank of Catlin Bros. had failed, is a mistake. A special to the Reflector says:

"Bank still doing business at the old stand."

Reports from the firm are that they are all right, sound and have their paper in good shape. The Reflector says:

"The publication in an Abiline evening paper of the sensational statement that the leading business firm and bank of Miltonvale had failed was entirely false."

Tobacco Combine Denied.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Dec. 28.—The statement in a dispatch from New York to the effect that the Liggett & Myers Tobacco Company of this city will be consolidated with the Union Tobacco Company, the purchase price being placed at about $12,000,000 is emphatically denied by Colonel M. C. Wetmore, who is at the head of the former.

Death of a Noted Claimant.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire

LONDON, Dec. 28.—Mrs. Saunders, who was the claimant for $20,000,000 left by an uncle named Leake, who died intestate in America, died recently at Port Caul, Wales.

SAGASTA MAY BE SUCCEEDED BY GEN. WEYLER

The "Butcher" Confers With the Queen Regent.

Don Carlos Still Trying to Borrow the Sinews of War.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire.

MADRID, Dec. 28.—The greatest interest and curiosity was taken in the long audience that General Weyler had with the Queen Regent here yesterday. The newspapers here, while sympathizing with Premier Sagasta, say the country cannot be sacrificed on account of his illness, and an immediate arrangement of the ministerial crisis is demanded.

The newspapers also say Don Carlos is now trying to place a loan in Spain, through numerous agents, adding that he opened negotiations yesterday with Madrid with this object in view.

FIVE TRAINMEN BADLY HURT BY AN EXPLOSION.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire.

SPRINGFIELD, Ohio, Dec. 28.—Five men have been more or less seriously injured as the result of an Ohio Southwestern switch engine blowing out its crown sheet with terrific force. Engineer Schellinger and Fireman Welch were blown out of the cab, and both were very badly injured. Conductor Snow and Brakeman Layer and Brickman were blown thirty feet and badly hurt. Some of the injured men may die.

FUNERAL SERVICES FOR SENATOR MORRILL

An Impressive Ceremony in the Senate Chamber Next Saturday.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—Arrangements for the funeral of the late Senator Morrill of Vermont, who died at an early hour this morning, were completed today. The funeral ceremonies will be held in the Senate chambers on Saturday next at 12 o'clock noon. Until then the body will remain at the family residence on Massachusetts avenue, and will be borne to the Capitol early Saturday morning.

The services at the Senate will be conducted by Rev. Bradford Leavitt, of All Souls Unitarian Church, where Senator Morrill was an attendant for a number of years, assisted by Rev. Dr. Milburn, the blind chaplain of the Senate.

The remains will be taken to the family home at Strafford, Vt., for burial alongside the remains of Mrs. Morrill, although they will probably be entombed here for a time until the family mausoleum now under construction is completed.

The ceremony in the Senate chamber will be marked by those characteristics of solemn dignity usual on such occasions.

A MOUNTAIN FALLS INTO SWISS VILLAGE.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire

LONDON, Dec. 28.—Part of Red Rock Mountain, according to a dispatch from Airolo (a village of Switzerland, canton of Ticino) has fallen into Airolo, destroying a hotel and several houses. Three persons were injured.

Brick Manufacturers Meet.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire

PITTSBURG, Pa., Dec. 28.—A meeting of impervious face brick manufacturers of the country is being held here today to form a national association for mutual protection. Representatives from twenty-one plants are in attendance.

The delegates deny that it is the intention to form a trust, the object being to maintain prices and arrange better terms with buyers.

BRYAN'S VIEWS ON ANNEXATION OF PHILIPPINES

Wants Congress to Give Independence to the Natives.

Porto Ricans Should Have a Chance to Vote for a Republic.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire.

OMAHA, Neb., Dec. 28.—William Jennings Bryan arrived in Omaha today from Chicago. He called on friends in the city during the morning, and this afternoon left for Lincoln.

When asked if he thought the question of imperialism would overshadow the money question in the campaign of 1900, Mr. Bryan said it was difficult at this time to tell what relations these subjects would bear to each other then.

He thought if Congress would adopt a resolution pledging this Government to hold the Philippines only a trust for the people, as we do Cuba, until a stable government is established, the expansion issue would be at an end. If however, the question is not settled in some such way as this, he said, it would continue to be a matter of discussion until it was disposed of, and would therefore remain one of the issues before the people.

With Porto Rico, Mr. Bryan said the situation could be simplified easily. He believes the people of the island should first be permitted to vote whether they desired annexation to this country or the formation of an independent republic.

DENIES THAT HE IS DUNHAM

The Ohio Suspect Ridicules the Sleuthhounds Who Arrested Him.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire.

COLUMBUS, Ohio, Dec. 28.--Harry Church, whom the police suspect of being James C. Dunham, the California murderer, has made the following statement:

"I will plead guilty to being Dunham if they will pay about $40 I owe in this city and take my wife and me back to California, where I want to go, for they will soon see there that I am not the man wanted, and turn me loose in the place where I want to be. This is all nonsense. The police had better stop it before they are laughed at. Look at that picture, and look at me. There is no similarity whatever. I knew Dunham, and he killed some one, I believe, who sent him to college. I'll admit the description looks suspicious, but you can see that I am not the man.

A stranger giving his name as Thos. Ward, claiming to be connected with the Vendome Hotel at San Jose, California, called at the city prison to see Church last night. He said he knew Dunham well, and that while Church answered the general description, he was not Dunham. Ward cannot be found today.

Church made an effort to get into court today, but will not have a hearing until tomorrow. He is held on a charge of vagrancy, and will undoubtedly be sentenced to give time for further investigation. He said today that he had a wealthy sister in Sacramento, California, a Mrs. Bateman, living on K street.

DUNHAM MAY BE IN ST. LOUIS.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Dec. 28.--The police of St. Louis are searching for James C. Dunham, who is wanted in Santa Clara county, California, for murdering an entire family of six persons. There is a reward of $11,000 for his arrest. A letter to Chief of Detectives Desmond from J. H. Lyndon, the Sheriff of Santa Clara county, says that Dunham has been traced to the Missouri River, and is believed to be in St. Louis.

FIERCE FIRE IN AN OHIO TOWN.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire.

ALLIANCE, Ohio, Dec. 28.—Fire broke out here early this morning, causing a loss of over $100,000. The blaze originated in Parthee's shoe store. A fierce gale was blowing and fanned the flames. The Atwell block, occupied by the Cassay Drug Company, caught on fire and the exploding drugs and chemicals threw burning fluids in all directions. During the fire several persons were injured.

Fireman Robert Green was overcome by smoke and heat, and is in a serious condition. The insurance will cover about one-half the loss.

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REBELS HAVE TAKEN ILOILO.

Flushed With Victory the Filipinos May Defy the Americans.

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WASHINGTON, Dec 28.—There is a good deal of anxiety in official circles here over recent events at Iloilo. Two official dispatches have been received by the State and War Departments, but it is impossible to gather from them an accurate knowledge as to the condition there. It is not even possible to learn whether the insurgents of the American forces have taken the place.

This morning United States Consul Pratt at Singapore cabled the State Department: "Iloilo taken 24th. Spanish fled to Borneo." This threw the officials into deeper doubt than before. The American expedition which left Manila to go to Iloilo, 2,000 troops, and the warships Baltimore and Callao, would scarcely have had time, it is said, to have reached Iloilo by the 24th. So the inference is that the insurgents are in possession.

SPANISH FORCES TO RETREAT.

Color is lent to this belief by the fact reported in one telegram that the Spaniards had retreated to a strongly fortified town on the island of Manado. This does not agree with Consul Pratt's statement that they fled to Borneo, the north coast of which is a British possession, but it is believed that the Consul is in error on this point, which might be easily the case, in view of the distance from his post to Iloilo. The fact that the Spaniards have retreated at all is also construed as an indication that the town was abandoned to the insurgents, for it is believed that Colonel Rios, the Spanish commander, would have cheerfully surrendered to the American force, with a view to securing the safety of his men and their ultimate return to Spain by the American government, according to the terms of the treaty.

FILIPINOS OBSTREPEROUS.

The officials at the War Department still decline to make public General Otis' telegram of yesterday, but there is no doubt that he is meeting with great difficulty in his effort to secure the release of the Spanish prisoners held by the Filipinos. It begins to appear clearly that a considerable element among the Filipino leaders—probably a majority—are disposed to use these unfortunate prisoners as a basis for negotiations with the United States Government, making their release condition al upon certain more or less important concessions demanded by them. It is not yet a foregone conclusion that terms cannot be arranged by private conferences in Manila to secure the release of these men, but the United States Government, being now pledged by treaty to free them, must resort to other means if peaceful representations fail.

General Otis has been instructed on this point, and the War Department has confidence in his experience and sound judgment, and believing that from his presence in the Philippines he is better capable of dealing with the situation than the officials here, has confined itself to a statement of what is expected to be done towards securing prisoners, leaving it to General Otis to devise the ways and means and carrying out the plans.

INSURGENTS TAKE ILOILO.

Just before noon another dispatch came from General Otis that at once confirmed the fears of the officials of the War Department as to what had taken place at Iloilo. It appears that the American forces had arrived too late on the scene, and that the insurgents had added to the difficulty of the problem already presented by hoisting their flag over the city which they had been besieging for months. The news was contained in the following message from General Otis:

"MANILA, Dec. 27.--To Adjutant General, Washington: Sent Colonel Potter on fast vessel to Iloilo on 24th to communicate with Spanish General Dios; later evacuated evening of 24th, and Potter thirty-nine hours later. Insurgents took possession of city on 26th, and Potter found Aguinaldo's flag flying. Cannot now report probable results; will not hear from there for four days, as there is no cable communication. Spanish forces have evacuated all stations in southern islands, except Zamboanga, and Mindanao, by orders, they say, from Madrid.

"OTIS."

SERIOUS COMPLICATIONS FEARED.

The evacuation by the Spaniards of all the Philippine ports, as reported by General Otis, although doubtless inspired by a desire to secure their safety by concentration, undoubtedly has done much to complicate the problem already presented to the War Department of extending the military jurisdiction of the United States over the islands. It will now be necessary to expedite the original plans, and it may be fully expected that within a week important events will have happened in the Philippines. It is presumed that General Otis will demand the surrender of Iloilo into his hands, and this demand may at once raise the issue between the insurgents and our own Government of possession of the islands.

The province of Iloilo is set down in the official directories as having a population of 472,000, and it is the second seaport of importance in the Philippine group. It is located on a river navigable for vessels of fifteen feet draught, so that very few of our gunboats would be available to assist the troops in case it should be necessary to take forcible possession of the city.

SPANIARDS WELL INTRENCHED.

The Spaniards have chosen a strong place for the concentration of their troops in the town of Seombonga, which, as the reports here indicate, is strongly fortified and possessed of considerable natural strength from a defensive point of view. It is not doubted that they will be able to maintain themselves for an indefinite period of time against the insurgents, presuming that they are not cut off from obtaining supplies from the sea. The town itself has a population of 21,000.

HUNGARIANS FIGHT POLITICAL DUELS.

Two Encounters, One Bloody and the Other One Harmless.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire.

BUDAPEST, Dec. 28.—The first of six duels arranged between M. Horanszki, a member of the Lower House of the Hungarian Diet, and his seconds and the seconds of Baron Banffy, the Hungarian Premier, growing out of the dispute, still unsettled, between the two principals, took place today between Baron Fejervary, Minister of National Defense, and Count Karolyea. Pistols were the weapons used, but the encounter was bloodless. Baron Fejervary missed his opponent, and the pistol of Count Karolyea missed fire.

Later, Baron Banffy's second, M. Gajari, and M. Horanszki's second, M. Zemore, fought a duel with swords. In the first encounter M. Zemore was cut on the head. After his wound had been bound up the duel was resumed, and M. Zemore was again severely wounded in the head. The seconds then stopped the fighting and a reconciliation followed.

Civil War Veterans Dead.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire.

EASTON, Pa., Dec. 28.--Judge Howard K. Reeder died at his home in this city today, aged 55 years. Judge Reeder was a son of Andrew H. Reeder, noted as the Governor of Kansas during the anti-slavery controversy before the Civil War. He served throughout the struggle, first as a Lieutenant of regulars and afterwards as a Captain of volunteers.

DEATH OF CAPTAIN HARE.

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 28.--Captain C. C. Hare, aged 67 years, is dead at his home in this city of grip. He was born in Louisville, Kentucky, and served through the Civil War with distinction.

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A FATAL FIRE NEAR BIRMINGHAM.

A Coke Plant Burned and an Employe Perishes in the Flames.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Dec. 28.—Between 1 and 2 o'clock this morning the night watchman at the Semet-Salvey Company's bi-product plant at Ensley City, six miles from Birmingham, discovered fire raging in the oil house. An alarm was sounded, but the flames spread very rapidly, and soon the main building and chemical works of the plant were in flames and burned down quickly. One hundred and twenty-five coke ovens escaped destruction, but the principal buildings of the plant were destroyed, causing a loss estimated at between $150,000 and $200,000, with no insurance.

Otto Must, one of the workmen, who had gone up on a high trestle between the coke ovens and the main plant to connect a water hose, lost his life. The trestle burned down behind him, and he fell into the flames. Clarence Rast, another employe, was badly burned.

The plant cost half a million dollars, and began operations last summer. Its owners reside in Syracuse, N. Y. The cause of the fire is not known. It is understood that the burned buildings will be replaced at an early date.

SUITS AGAINST THE CITY ON APPEAL.

City Attorney Dow was in attendance at the Supreme Court in San Francisco yesterday where he filed the city's briefs in cases of the Southern and Central Pacific Railroad companies and Owen Rooney against the city of Oakland, which are on appeal. The first case was brought to recover money paid for city taxes and the second to recover money paid for a liquor license at the Mole.

SURPRISED THEIR PARENTS

Amos C. Hinsdale, son of Deputy Auditor D. C. Hinsdale and Miss Florence C. Morrow were quietly married Christmas eve unknown to their parents. Their parents knew of the attachment existing between the two but did not expect the wedding to take place so soon.

Hospital Cases

P. Walkins, a teamster, residing at 1052 East Seventh street, fell from his wagon yesterday and sustained a sprained shoulder. He was treated at the Receiving Hospital by Dr. H. Horn.

Ole Jensen was admitted to the Receiving Hospital on a permit of the Board of Supervisors. He is suffering from a lung trouble. Drs. Stratten, Horn and Sanborn performed a successful operation.

William Mulvey, a plumber in the employ of the Southern Pacific Company, was treated at the Receiving Hospital for an inclsed wound over the eye. He was struck by a pair of tongs.

Hans Krugh, employed at the Oakland Gas, Light and Heat Company, had his finger pinched between two iron bars. The wound was dressed at the Receiving Hospital.

In Search of Heirs.

Public Administrator Knight has about thirty estates on his hands for which he would like to find heirs. The estates are those of people who left money in bank in sums varying from $75 to $509. The following is the list of the estates in the Probate Court:

Annie B. Kuster, H. Maria Mooney, Benjamin Mann, Joseph Joaquin, Joseph Manuel, Juan Jahnson, Henry Frasse, Charles Habersang, George H. Facett, W. A. Dana, William Flaughney, John Andrew, Mary O'Neil, William Morgan, Jean B. Bertheau, Michael Morehan, Michael Murphy, Edward McArnit, Owen McKaron, Johanna O'Leary, William Parsons, John Willington, Margaret T. Willeck, Julius Wyman, John Harmon, Nancy Williams, Lizzie Hanson, John Caffey, Mary M. Shaw, J. M. Webster and R. Abraham.

Court Notes.

Eliza B. Stanwood has been appointed administrator of the estate of Abby L. Marble, deceased.

William H. Knight has been appointed administrator of the estate of Cornelius A. Donahue, deceased.

Sarah Ann Flint has been granted letters testamentary on the estate of Samuel Flint, deceased.

Edwin Allen has been granted letters testamentary on the estate of Harvey E. Allen, deceased.

Landregan Appeals.

T. C. Landregan has filed a notice of appeal from the judgment rendered in Judge Clift's court against him. J. P. Edoff brought suit against Landregan for $51 in the Justice's Court on two promissory notes. Judgment was given for plaintiff by default of defendant. Landregan now asks for a jury trial in the Superior Court.

Homestead Rights.

Judge Ellsworth has handed down a decree vesting the right of homestead in Frank L. Naylor and Will E. Squires in the matter of the estate of Eliza A. Blake, deceased.

THE HOMLIEST MAN IN OAKLAND
As well as the handsomest, and others are invited to call on any druggist and get *free* a trial bottle of Kemp's Balsam for the Throat and Lungs, a remedy that is guaranteed to cure and relieve all Chronic and Acute Coughs, Asthma, Bronchitis and Consumption. Price 25c and 50c.

C. B. MORGAN STANDS BY THE COMMISSION.

Defends the Report Made on Ballot Machines.

Judge Emil Nusbaumer States the Case of a Poor Man.

The Chronicle today contains a long article which purports to expose a scheme on the part of an alleged combine whereby a certain voting machine is to be foisted on the State at a great expense.

The article in question goes into great detail in regard to the matter and many charges are made. A number of Oakland people are mentioned in connection with the matter.

The story in brief is that a combine was formed to control the machine invented by C. Christensen of this city; that the Ballot Machine Commission was a party to the conspiracy and that the whole thing is a fraud on the State. It is alleged in the article that the Christensen machine as described in the report of the Commission does not exist in fact. Hon. Hart North is also mentioned as being interested in the deal.

The Ballot Machine Commission is composed of C. B. Morgan of this city, J. V. Webster, and W. H. Hinton. Mr. Morgan formulated the report which is now so bitterly attacked. In explaining his position today, Mr. Morgan said:

"The attack made today in the Chronicle is entirely without foundation. In the first place I will explain how my appointment came about. Mr. North who was in the Assembly wrote me a letter telling me about the introduction of the bill to have ballot machines investigated. He said that he would be entitled to suggest one member of the Commission and wanted to know if I would accept the place. I told him that I would. Subsequently I received the appointment from Governor Budd.

"The Commission entered upon its duties on May 21, 1897. We held two meetings a month until October 15, 1898. During that time we investigated and tested all the machines that were brought before us. Nobody was slighted and every man who had a machine was given a fair show. When it came to making up the final report every machine was described and such suggestions were made as we deemed proper. I wrote the entire report save but a few words and it was approved by the other commissioners.

"I want to say that neither Mr. North or any other man outside of members of the commision ever made suggestions as to the contents of the report. In regard to the Christensen machine, I will say that such a machine does exist and that it is exactly as we have described it in the report. We said that it was the only machine that met all the requirements, and I still stand by that statement.

"So far as I know there was no corruption in this matter of any kind. I know that I have done my duty in a conscientious manner and I do not fear the results. So far as the members of the commission are concerned, we all acted in an honorable manner and gave all the applicants as fair a hearing as possible. It made no difference to us whether a man was rich or poor. They were all treated alike.

"The members of the commission worked without pay. An appropriation of $1,000 was made for our expenses, and of this sum we have returned $400 to the State, besides our office furniture. I think we have done very good work.

"I suppose that some of these charges are made by the disappointed ones because we did not recommend their machines. I can say no more than that the commission acted honestly and conscientiously in the matter."

JUDGE NUSBAUMER'S STATEMENT

Judge Emil Nusbaumer was seen in reference to the matter. He said:

"I became interested in the Christensen ballot machine because of the fact that the inventor thereof is a poor laboring man who for three years past has lived by the sweat of his brow in a decent economical way in my neighborhood. He has performed such duties as cutting my grass and washing my windows. It was only upon his earnest solicitations extending over a matter of three years did I finally consent to assist him as far as I could, both financially and otherwise, in order to procure for him the benefits of the invention. There are two propositions involved. Are the people ready to adopt ballot machines for the sake of purity in elections? If this is answered in the affirmative then what machine is the best? I firmly believe and am ready to prove now or at any proper time that this poor gardener's machine is the best.

"I have but time to say very few words in reference to the unjust, unfair, malicious and libelous attack made by the Chronicle upon the industry and invention of this worthy poor citizen of our county. The statements contained in the article in so far as they are attributed to him are false. All statements reflecting upon the commission or any one else in reference to the matter are false and necessarily malicious. There is no combination between any one interested in the machine with Colonel Burns' candidacy for United States Senator, nor is there any relation or affinity of any kind between the two propositions. I will further add that neither Colonel Burns nor G. W. Baker have the slightest interest in the Christensen machine. That no corporation has been formed; no stock has been issued to further the interests of the machine, nor has any stock or money or position been promised or offered, directly or indirectly, to any one in consideration of promoting in any way the interests of the machine.

"The machine is simple, substantial, effective and inexpensive, and is the best machine thus far invented, and if it does not win upon the weight of its merit, then it will not be adopted. I restrain myself to mildness when I say that Mr. De Young does not seem to realize that by this attack he is attempting to destroy the property of this poor inventor."

Will Probated.

The will of Harvey E. Allen, deceased, has been admitted to probate and Edward Allen appointed executor, to serve without bond.

BURGLARS ARE AT WORK IN THE CITY.

Two More Houses Are Visited by a Brace of Prowlers.

Stolen Goods Recovered and Restored to Their Owners.

The police have now become satisfied of several things regarding the commission of house-breaking at night in this city, and these things are that the town is being systematically worked in various sections on successive nights; that there is certainly one gang that is fearless and experienced in the commission of burglaries, and that the two men in this gang work together. The detection of the burglars, however, is a matter of difficulty, because the chances are one in a thousand that a police officer or a detective, owing to the wide area that has to be covered, will be on the ground when the burglars are performing their work.

Some of these facts were made manifest last night by the circumstances attending a couple of house-breakings which have been reported to the police in which the plunder has been restored to the owner, but in which no information has been obtained which would tend to the apprehension of the burglars.

Early this morning the police were apprised of the fact that the residence of Edward H. Kittredge at 1373 Grove street had been entered by burglars and two fine overcoats had been appropriated.

The thieves had effected an entrance to the house through one of the rear windows, which had been forced. They managed to work very quietly. From the fact, however, that more plunder was almost within their grasp, it is believed that they must have felt that they had been observed and departed content with having obtained two coats.

Soon after the discovery of the loss Detective Quigley was detailed to work up the case. He went to the Kittredge residence, examined the marks on the window which had been forced and concluded that the burglars were not novices in the business. He also took a description of the coats stolen and started to town to try and locate the plunder or the burglars, or both.

He was then informed that another house has been visited, in this instance the place being the residence of Alex McPherson, 706 Thirteenth street. The fellows, however, failed in endeavoring to force an entrance and made noise enough to attract the attention of a Chinese servant, who gave an alarm, causing the burglars to beat a retreat. In their flight the burglars dropped the coats they had stolen from the Kittredge residence, and disappeared before they could be successfully followed.

When Detective Quigley arrived on the scene he recognized the coats from the description which had been taken at the Kittredge home on Grove street. He took possession of the articles, and in examining the marks made on the window through which the burglars sought to effect an entrance, perceived that the same instrument had been used in both cases.

Mr. Quigley restored the coats to the persons from whose house they had been taken.

The detectives have a suspicion as to who the burglars are and are working along a certain line with the hope of apprehending them.

LOUISVILLE POOL ROOMS ARE CLOSED.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Dec. 28.—For the first time in the history of the city, the pool rooms today are closed permanently. For some time a bitter fight has been waged upon the pool room interests, which resulted in the three rooms in this city being raided Saturday, over 125 men being arrested. These were dismissed at a preliminary hearing, but as the Grand Jury had announced its intention to continue to raiding them, the proprietors came into the criminal court this morning and stated that they had determined to close their doors permanently. They said that they surrendered unconditionally. In view of this fact all pending indictments against them have been dismissed.

BOY SHOT BY HIS LITTLE BROTHER.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire.

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 28.—It develops that Grover Buckman, the little boy who was mysteriously shot and killed Christmas morning, was shot by a brother, 7 years old. The latter has admitted that he did the shooting. He is not of strong mind.

Historical Association.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Dec. 28.—The fourteenth annual meeting of the American Historical Association opened here today. The papers read at the morning session were: "A Plea for the Study of Scottish and Irish History," by Prof. M. Morse Stephens of Cornell University; "Practicable Methods of Conducting Large History Courses," by Prof. C. A. Duniway of Leland Stanford University, and the report of the committee of seven on "The Study in Secondary Schools of History," by Prof. A. C. McLaughlin, chairman of the committee.

A Reception.

Mrs. Blake-Alverson will have a reception and hold open house for all friends, pupils and their parents at her home on Thirteenth and Harrison streets on Monday afternoon. Some very fine music will doubtless be heard

YOUNG GIRL MURDERS HER TWIN BABIES.

Her Mother and Sister Implicated in the Deed.

Bodies of the Children Are Found Under an Old Stump.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire.

PORTSMOUTH, Ohio, Dec. 28.—Two weeks ago two human bodies were found under an old stump in a hollow near this city. The remains were those of children, and the matter was kept secret. The Coroner was informed, and today found a verdict charging Miss Rachael Glenn, a girl of 20 years, with the willful murder of her twin children, and that her mother and sister Sarah aided and abetted in the crime. The Glenns are prominent farmers. The three women will be arrested at once.

The murdered children were about 6 months old.

SAGASTA'S HOUR OF RAGE AND HUMILIATION.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—A dispatch to the World quotes the London Mail's Madrid correspondent as saying:

Intimate friends of Senor Sagasta have supplied the following statements made by him a few days before his illness became serious:

"The time when the peace negotiations were in progress was a time of the greatest bitterness to me.

"Many a night I could not sleep, and many a day I could not eat, so great was my anxiety, so deep my fears that what has happened would happen.

"I know the Americans, and I guessed what they were going to do.

"Some of the Spanish commissioners in Paris had, in the beginning, some expectations in which I never participated, though I sometimes hoped myself that our opponents would not be so cruel to Spain as they have since proven to be.

"As a rule victorious nations make generous concessions to the vanquished people, in order to make their victory more humane and to honor their foes. In this way they avoid leaving a sediment of hate which is too apt to remain through ages and to expose victors to retaliation of the most cruel kind.

"From the United States we have met with no generosity, but only with levity and deceit, carried to the extreme of interpreting capriciously an important work in the text of the protocol, in order to violate the principle they had already agreed to.

"We have had to suffer all this to prevent greater evils."

GOOD FORTUNE OF SAN DIEGO'S EX-MAYOR

"Billy" Carlson Given a Fat Office by Secretary of the Treasury.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire.

SAN DIEGO, Dec. 28.—From a private letter just received here it is learned that the Secretary of the Treasury has recently appointed William H. Carlson, formerly Mayor of this city, and a recent candidate for Congress in this district, who two years ago ran as an Independent against W. W. Bowers for Congress in the Seventh district, and thereby caused his defeat, to an important Federal office, and he has entered upon his duties.

Carlson is now chief of the new division of customs and insular affairs for Cuba, Porto Rico and the Philippines, which division was created on December 13th. He will have a force of thirty or forty clerks under his control.

MURDERER SINGS ON THE SCAFFOLD.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire.

PRINCETON, Mo., Dec. 28.—Ira Sexton was hanged here today for the killing of Nathan Stark, a young farmer, October 28, 1897. Sexton went to his death protesting his innocence. He manifested great composure while on the scaffold. He sang two songs and made a speech declaring his innocence. The drop fell at 11:17. In thirteen minutes he was pronounced dead. Sexton killed Stark while trying to rob him.

Negro Murderer Hanged.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 28.—James Brown (colored) was hanged in the County Jail today for the murder of Henry Prather, also a negro.

In April, 1896, Brown shot Prather in a quarrel over a woman to whom both were paying attentions. Brown was married.

FOUR HUNDRED SEAMEN TO BE SENT TO DEWEY

Leave San Francisco by the Next Mail Steamer.

Will Man Three Vessels of the Captured Spanish Squadron.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—A dispatch to the Tribune from Washington says:

The energy with which the Navy Department is strengthening its forces in the Pacific ocean is further emphasized by its conclusion to send 400 enlisted men as quickly as possible across the continent to San Francisco to be taken by the next mail steamer to Hong Kong. This action was taken in response to a requisition from Admiral Dewey to send him men to take charge of the captured cruisers Don Juan de Austria, Isla de Cuba and Isla de Luzon, the two latter vessels being now in drydock at Hong Kong, while the first is being repaired at Cavite.

The naval authorities expect to hear of the arrival of the Buffalo at Port Said tomorrow with her 400 men, destined for Dewey's ships, to take the places of those whose terms of enlistment have long ago expired and who are anxious to come home to re-inlist on the Atlantic coast after a brief holiday. The Buffalo is to call at Port Said, and will not stop again until she reaches Hong Kong early next month.

Reports received from Norfolk indicate that the Yosemite, which will follow the Buffalo with 400 sailors and 100 marines, will get away within two weeks. Most of the marines will be landed at Guam to hold that island until the army arrange to supply the garrison.

Gath Gets His Children.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Dec. 28.—A decision was rendered by Judge Clark in the Superior Court this morning which is, in effect, that the Gath children will remain in San Francisco with their father, in spite of the claims of the grandmother, Mrs. Josephine Branchi. While Gath was in Alaska the grandmother obtained letters of guardianship for the children, but upon his return a few weeks ago he secured them again on a suit of habeas corpus. The Judge today decided that the father's residence being San Francisco, the residence of the children is legally there also, and the court here had no right to issue letters of guardianship.

CHESTERFIELD LEAVING.

The Eminent Palmist Leaves Oakland Next Monday.

Prof. Grant Chesterfield, the noted palmist, will close his parlors at 1260 Franklin street, near Fifteenth, Saturday night. He leaves Monday for Los Angeles. Chesterfield came here indorsed by Ingersoll, Bryan, Bernhardt, Calve, Senator Davis and many others. His parlors have been constantly thronged and in no instance has there been the slightest dissatisfaction.

NEW OFFICERS TAKE CHARGE MONDAY.

District Attorney Charles E. Snook has given an opinion to the effect that the incoming county officers shall take their seats at noon Monday, January 2d. There has been considerable controversy on that point, many holding that as Monday was a legal holiday the officers should take their seats on Tuesday.

Charges Against Burke.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire.

CLEVELAND, O., Dec. 28.—The charges against Judge F. E. Dellenbaugh and Senator V. H. Burke have been filed in the Circuit Court this afternoon by the committee of Bar Association appointed to formulate and prosecute the charges.

A Favorite Store.

The Golden Gate Bazar, the reliable store at 888 Washington street, had a most prosperous patronage bestowed upon them during the holidays. The genial proprietor has demonstrated that the quality of goods and popular prices accounts for his lucrative trade of late, or since the present proprietor has been conducting this well known bazar. Courtesy cuts a big figure in making a place of business popular; that's another reason why the Golden Gate Bazar enjoys a large patronage.

Final Settlement.

Decree of settlement of accounts and final distribution of the estate of Valerie W. Martin, deceased, has been made by Judge Ellsworth. The estate, consisting of a lot in this city, is given to Esther B. Folte.

Kicked By a Horse.

James Flynn, a horse-shoer, was kicked in the face by a horse yesterday as he was putting a shoe on the animal. His chin and lower lip were badly lacerated. Steward Tobin dressed the wounds at the Receiving Hospital.

Assigned to the Widow.

Judge Ellsworth has handed down a decree assigning the estate of Arthur Von Gieglingen, deceased, to his widow, Georgiana Von Gieglingen. The estate amounts to $1,245.

Yard-Buller Case.

The suit of Ledy Mary Leliah Yarde-Buller for divorce from Walter Yarde-Buller was continued two weeks by Judge Ogden. Attorney Vincent Neale appeared to the defendent and asked fo a continuance of the case.

Spanish Wines.

Wine forms 48 per cent of Spains general exports.

WHEW!!

We have just caught our breath—Been so busy the past few days that our THOUGHT FACTORY had to shut down—Now we know that you are gifted with at least COMMON SENSE—You are not foolish—The people of Oakland are all alive to their own and their best interests—Trading at home has proven to more than we could name the benefits of buying in Oakland—Buying right here where correct values are always smiled upon—We did THREE TIMES the largest holiday business of any past season since the birth of the Novelty in 1876—We thank **you** for it—We knew you would appreciate our efforts in giving you dependable values—Now what would you think of us if we were to tell you that we had deceived you and were to cut our prices **in half** or even QUARTER THEM? Our 50c ties were worth 50c—we charge you 50c for them now—We have 37 ties left that were 25c and now we offer them at **12½c**—only 37 of them—Our purchases for the holiday season amounted to over **$11,000.00**, yet we haven't "A MARKET BASKET" full which we can sell at a **Half** or **Quarter off price**—We told you BEFORE CHRISTMAS that **we would** never make an extra cent of difference in our prices on account of the holiday season—Now we tell you that **we cannot** make any difference AFTER CHRISTMAS—Because our prices **are absolutely correct**—We are busy TAKING STOCK—On January 1st we are going to take every odd garment in the house and "**Cut the price on it**"—We advise you to wait until after the 1st of January for cut prices—In the meantime come and see us for SIMON PURE BARGAINS—It must be refreshing to you to find "**one house**" who are not "STUCK" "OVER-STOCKED" and trying to make you believe the "MOON IS MADE OF GREEN CHEESE."—We are honest with you—We are going to make this store the most popular one in Oakland—No windows painted in front of this store—no glaring horse scaring signs here—But we are going to settle right into the harness—and give you the best values in Oakland.

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MACDONALD—In this city, December 26, 1898, to the wife of John A. Macdonald, a son.

COHN—In San Francisco, December 12, 1898, to the wife of Herman Cohn, a son.

Married.

HANSEN—MICHAEL—In this city, December 24, 1898, by the Rev. O. Groensberg, Rasmus Hansen and Martha Michael.

ROSSETTI—SCHWERIN—In San Francisco, December 22, 1898, William A. Rossetti and Lizzie M. Schwerin.

YANCEY—DAY—In Sonora, December 23, 1898, Henry C. Yancey of Sonora, Tuolumne county, Cal., and Mrs. Annie Day (nee Murray) of Bodega, Sonoma county, Cal.

Died.

BERTRAM—In San Francisco, December 27, 1898, Henry Bertram, late of Klamathon, Siskiyou county, Cal., a native of Ohio, aged 40 years.

BRYANT—In Santa Cruz, December 26, 1898, Robert M. Bryant, a native of Bristol, Me., aged 77 years, 1 month and 20 days.

CARLISLE—In San Francisco, December 25, 1898, Eleanor M. Carlisle, a native of Pennsylvania.

DOHERTY—In San Francisco, December 27, 1898, John Doherty, a native of Ireland, aged 65 years.

GEARY—In San Francisco, December 27, 1898, Mary S. Geary, aged 65 years.

GILLMAN—In San Francisco, December 27, Harriet Gillman, a native of Rahway, N. J., aged 43 years and 9 months.

LEE—In San Francisco, December 27, 1898, George Henry Lee, a native of San Francisco, aged 9 months and 14 days.

MONTAGUE—In San Francisco, December 27, 1898, Nellie Montague, a native of Colorado, aged 21 years.

MOORE—In San Francisco, December 27, 1898, Charles Moore, a native of England, aged 35 years.

O'CONNOR—In San Francisco, December 27, 1898, Mary A. O'Conner, a native of Weston, W. Va., aged 32 years.

PEARCE—In San Francisco, December 26, 1898, Henry M. Pearce, a native of England, aged 53 years, 10 months and 9 days.

SCHENKEL—In San Francisco, December 26, 1898, Peter Schenkel, a native of Baden, Germany, aged 53 years, 10 months and 4 days.

SMITH—In San Francisco, December 12, 1898, John M. Smith, a native of Berlin, Germany, aged 65 years, 9 months and 29 days.

SMITH—In San Francisco, December 27, 1898, Lottie R. Smith.

SULLIVAN—In San Francisco, December 27, 1898, Julia E. Sullivan, a native of San Francisco, aged 5 days.

SWEENEY—In San Francisco, December 25, 1898, Ida Sweeney, a native of California, aged 42 years.

TOBEY—In Menlo Park, December 25, 1898, Amelia Park Tobey, aged 23 years, 11 months and 21 days.

WINTER—In San Francisco, December 27, 1898, Moritz Winter, a native of Butzbach, Hessen-Darmstadt, Germany, aged 74 years, 4 months and 27 days.

OUTCALT—In San Francisco, December 27, 1898, William D. Outcalt, a native of Ohio, aged 40 years.

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PROBATE NOTICE.

In the Superior Court of the county of Alameda, State of California.

In the matter of the estate of Luther P. Fisher, deceased.

Notice of time set for proving will, etc.

Notice is hereby given, that a petition for the probate of the will of Luther P. Fisher, deceased, and for the issuance to Lucy B. Fisher of letters testamentary thereon, has been filed in this Court, and that Monday, the 9th day of January, A. D. 1899, at 10 o'clock A. M. of said day, at the Court-room of Department No. 4 of said Court, at the Court House in the city of Oakland, in said county of Alameda, has been set for the hearing of said petition and proving said will, when and where any person interested may appear and contest the same.

Dated, December 28th, 1898.

FRANK C. JORDAN, Clerk.
By F. D. ADAMS, Deputy Clerk.
R. THOMPSON, Esq., 330 Pine St., San Francisco, Attorney for Petitioner.

Too Late for Classification.

GRAYSTONE, at 418 Twelfth st., has changed hands; thoroughly renovated; splendid family apartments; very reasonable. n

BARTENDER—Nine years' experience; well acquainted; would like position; or will do any other kind of work. Address K. P., box 3, this office. g

WANTED—Employment by sober, industrious, capable man; wages if possible; or board and lodging; good references. Address "Work," box 6, this office. g

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A TENANT WANTED for two completely furnished housekeeping rooms on first floor; separate entrances. 1911 Webster st. g

Acme Club Members Will Have a Christmas Tree.

Reliance Athletes Active During the Winter Season.

WORK OF THE BASEBALL MEN.

Entertainment to Be Given at the Macdonough—News of the Fighters.

THE UMPIRE.

All interest is centered in the boxing contest between George Green of San Francisco and Dan Creedon of Australia, which is to take place Friday night before the National Athletic Club at Woodward's Pavilion. While the match is for twenty rounds it is very probable that it will not last that long. Both men are aggressive fighters and their tactics are very similar. Creedon is larger bodied than Green while the latter's legs are better developed.

This will be Green's first go with a star of the middle-weight class.

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There seems to be a great deal of unnecessary howling about Jack Stelzner's decision in the Denny-Maxwell fight last Thursday night. If Stelzner was wrong what are you going to do about it. His decision gave the fight to Maxwell and there is no recourse. It looks to a man up a tree that the only way to avoid these unpleasant attacks upon the referee and the connection of the official and the pool room is for the club to name the referee at the ring side.

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Previous to his victory over Kid McPartland, Dal Hawkins wrote to Billy Kennedy of the Olympic Club to the effect that he would like to return to the coast and meet Lavigne or any light weight in the business. His proposition was looked upon at the time as a scheme to get back to California at some other person's expense. Since the California boy laid the Easterner low it has caused his stock to take a sudden jump and overtures may now be made to him.

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The ten-round go between Charles Tye of the Reliance Club and Mose L. Fontise, champion of the Northwest, which will be put on as a preliminary to the Green-Creedon contest Friday night, promises to be a very interesting mix up, especially for the admirers of the local man.

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It now looks as though the match between "Denver Ed" Smith and Jeffries would not take place till sometime in February. Jeffries is doing his preliminary work at the Reliance Club and is reported to be in fine condition. Smith has not fought a battle since he was beaten in four rounds by Joe Goddard in South Africa in November 1896. He is credited with being one of the cleverest men with the gloves who ever entered a ring and the match is bound to be a popular one.

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The victory of the University of California team over the Multomahs of Portland in their game Monday was not unexpected. The make-up of the visiting team was such as to leave no doubt about the outcome of the game. The score, 27 to 0, makes it look like a one-sided affair but those who are in a position to know say it was by far the best game ever seen in the Northwest.

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Another indoor bicycle tournament is scheduled to take place in the Mechanics' Pavilion in the near future. The program is to include a six-day race in which the stars of the recent race in New York will take part. One week is to be given over to short distance events for both professional and amateurs. The affair is to be given under Eastern management and while it will no doubt give the sport an impetus the riders who were so miserably treated by the Eastern management of the last indoor tournament are liable to fight shy of this one.

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At a meeting held at the Olympic Club last week the medals won by local oarsmen at the annual championship regatta, in November, were awarded to the respective winners. W. C. Espy, chairman of the regatta committee made the presentation speeches. The awards follow:

Senior barge championship--Alamedas first, Pioneers second.

Intermediate barge championship--Ariels first, Pioneers second.

Junior barge championship--Pioneers first, Alamedas second.

Senior skiff championship--Fred Ayer of the Alamedas first, Conrad Ochs of the Pioneers second.

Junior skiff championship--A Webb of the Alamedas first, W. G. Hanson of the Alamedas second.

Senior shell championship--Alexander Pape of the Dolphins.

Junior shell championship--Jake Klunder of the Pioneers.

The oarsmen are all stirred up over the selection of Bob McArthur of the South End Club to represent it in the board of management of the Pacific Athletic Union. While there is no man better fitted for the position and in fact no better man for the position of President, for that matter, to succeed W. R. Berry yet the standing of the South End man is in doubt and thereby hangs a tale.

Some of those opposed to him are afraid to come out openly for fear of their own records being investigated and what promises to be a merry war is now on.

THE UMPIRE.

HOSTETTER'S CELEBRATED STOMACH BITTERS

KIDNEYS

Healthy kidneys filter impurities from the blood and keep it rich and pure. Sick kidneys don't.

HOSTETTER'S BITTERS stimulates the kidneys to the proper performance of their duties, and thus makes the blood pure.

RELIANCE CLUB.

The Reliance football team met defeat at the hands of the Alameda High School team Monday, the score standing 6 to 0. The Reliance team would like a return game on New Years day at Elmhurst Recreation Park, but the Alameda boys do not seem anxious.

H. Smith of the R. A. C. broke his collar bone during the game.

Charles Tye trains nightly for his go with La Fontus, which takes place on Friday night. The club boys feel confident that Charley will win, and he will have a good following to root for him.

Superintendent George E. Gross and his brother Charles have returned from a two weeks' trip to Selita, where they were the guests of Captain Root. They report having had a pleasant time and some good shooting.

A number of the members of the Encinal Recreation Club visited the Reliance club recently and indulged in a game of handball. A few nights afterward the visit was returned and the Reliance men were treated in a very hospitable manner.

Handball is attracting a great deal of attention at present and a number of clever teams have been brought out. The club extends an invitation to all those who intend to enter the coming tournament to practice in the club court.

A grand benefit concert is being arranged to take place at the Macdonough Theater in the near future. It will be given jointly by the Hughes and Orpheus clubs under the leadership of D. P. Hughes.

This will be the first time these two clubs have ever united in a concert or entertainment of any kind and the result will be one of if not the grandest concerts ever given in this city.

The Hughes club contains over 100 of the best lady vocalists in Alameda county, while the Orpheus club, which has been in existence over eight years, consists of eighty male voices.

The program will be so arranged that the clubs will appear separately and jointly beside a number of vocal and instrumental solos. The orchestral music will be furnished by the club orchestra.

One week from Friday evening the indoor baseball team will again meet the team from the San Francisco Young Men's Caristian Association. The night will be given as a ladies' and gentlemen's night, and admission will be by invitation only. The club orchestra will furnish the music for the occasion.

Superintendent George Gross has completed the arrangements for the 8-round go between Kid McFadden and Eddie Alford of Brooklyn, New York.

The contest will take place about the middle of January, and promises to be an interesting bout. McFadden is well known and a favorite with ring followers, while Alford is comparatively unknown here. However, he looks a likely lad and gives one the impression of being a good one.

EUREKA ATHELETES

The effect of the good work started by the Manse Association in forming and outfitting the Eureka Athletic club is now apparent. Applications for membership continue to pour in, and the club rooms ae visited nightly by a large number of young men who are in this manner provided with recreation.

The spacious quarters at Third and Linden streets have been put in good condition by this association, which also provided the nucleus for a library, fitted out a reading room, gymnasium, handball court and bath room, all of which has been turned over to the club free of expense.

Among its members the club number many young men whose names are familiar to the followers of baseball, wrestling, football, boxing and other sports, and in the future members of the club promise to gain recognition for their organization through their pesonal efforts in competition.

Next season the club will have a baseball team in the field and later on a football team.

Saturday evening a banquet will be held in the rooms of the club at which time a musical program will be provided, together with such refreshments as are condidered appropriate to the house warming of a club of this character.

The field for this club affords every advantage, and if conducted on proper lines, there is no reason why, within a few years, West Oakland may not have a club of which her residents may feel justly proud.

ACME AFFAIRS.

There will be a merry time at the club tonight, the occasion being the Christmas tree for the members and friends. Admission will be by invitation only, of which the following is a copy:

Acme Athletic Club.

JUST LIKE A LOT OF KIDS.

Time—Wednesday evening, December 28, 1898.

Place—In the Parlors of the Acme Club. Cor. Thirteenth and Clay streets.

Christmas tree and smoker; Santa Claus (a real one) and a bag of candy. Songs and stories, eatings and drinkings (cider, etc.)

Selections by the orchestra. Everybody gets a present and a good time.

P. S.—Leave with the superintendent any old thing you would like to have put on the tree for your friends—Piano, house and lot, safety (pin) etc, etc.

—Entertainment Committee.

Some of the presents which will be given out will surprise the recipients. They are to come from Pleasanton. As the affair is to be a sort of smoker, all are expected to get in and have a jolly good time.

A number of Reliance boys under the leadership of "Pop" Jerome, George Gross and Emil Lehnhardt, have agreed to attend and help out.

The classes in the gymnasium continue to grow each week and the instructors have their hands full on class nights. When they have a large number anxious for instruction.

Handball is the most popular sport in the club at present, and another court would be a great convenience at this time. A number of the best players in the club are getting into condition for the proposed tournament which they intend to win.

Matchmaker Van Court is having considerable trouble in finding suitable timber for the next boxing night. He can get plenty of men, but he wants no more such failures as marked the last show.

When the contestants are announced for the next goes they will be of such good quality as will leave no doubt in the minds of the followers of the game and assure a good show.

Superintendent McKeon is still busily engaged in gathering in recruits, and a number of applications are tacked up each week as a result. The club now has more good, solid, paying members than at any time since its organization.

Captain Agnew won the annual pool tournament with a score of 703. Harry Wagor and Jimmy Clymer were tied for second with 636 points. Frank B. Cook finished up with a flourish that landed him at the booby end of it with 253 to his credit.

At the smoker tonight Wagor and Clymer will play a series of games to decide the tie.

None of the racing men are training for the San Jose race meet, and it is doubtful if many from the club will attend.

BASEBALL.

Judging from the manner in which the local baseball exponents have disposed of the Seattle aggregation one is led to believe that when Jacks Parrott lost his whiskers he put a hoodoo on his associates. Jacks insisted that his arm was away up and that he would do things to the California batters when he turned himself loose, but as far as known he has done but little damage. He has said nothing about that old B-flat cornet of his since his team met the Oaklands and later the Athletics.

It is reported that the new deal in baseball has been made and that the league next season will not contain a team from this city. The reason given for leaving Oakland out is that there is no home ground. Henry Harris, Eugene F. Bert and T. F. Bonnett will be at the head of the new league, and they promise great things for next season.

It is stated on very good authority that Oakland will not only have a team in the league, but will also have a home ground.

J. Cal Ewing will be at the head of Oakland's team again next year, and he means to have a team that will be on top.

The Oaklands are to play the Seattles another game Sunday, and Captain Dugdale and Ewing have bet $100 on the outcome. Each team is to have the same make-up as in the previous game. Unless the visitors pull themselves together this week and put up an interesting contest Saturday and Sunday, they are likely to lose their commercial value as a drawing card, for people will not continue to pay to see such exhibitions as they gave Monday.

THE PRODUCE MARKET

OATS, CORN, BEANS, HAY, ETC.

OATS—White, $1.22½@1.35 per ctl as to grade; surprise, $1.35@1.40; gray, $1.25@1.30; black, $1.60@1.70; red, $1.55@1.60.

HAY—Californian—Ex car or schooner: Oat, $12.50@15.50 per ton; alfalfa, $10@12.50; wheat, $12@17.50; barley, $11@13.50; wheat and oat, $15@16.50; stock, $9@10.

Oregon—Wheat, $13.50@14; wheat and oat mixed and oat, $13@14; cheat, $12@12.50; clover, $10.50@11.50.

Straw—25@70c per bale.

CORN—Large yellow, sacked, $1.12½@1.15 per ctl; mixed, $1.10; small yellow, $1.17½; large white, $1.12½@1.15.

BEANS—Pea, $2.25@2.35 per ctl; small white, $2.15@2.25; large do, $1.85@1.95; bayo, $2@2.10; pink, $2@2.10; lima, $3.20@3.30; red, $3.15@3.25; butter, $2.20@2.30; red kidney, $2.25@2.50; blackeye, $3.75@4.

SEEDS—Rape, 2@3½c per lb; hemp, 2¾@3c; canary, 2¾c for foreign; flaxseed, ——; mustard, $4@4.10 per ctl for yellow and $4.5 for Trieste; alfalfa, 6½@7c for Utah.

RYE—$1.37½@1.22½ per ctl.

HOPS—13@17c per lb for 1898.

DRIED PEAS—Largely nominal.

BUCKWHEAT—Nominal.

FLOUR AND OTHER MILLSTUFFS.

FLOUR—California: Family extras, $4.15@4.25 per bbl; bakers' extras, $3.90@4.10.

FEED—Bran, $17@18 per ton; middlings, $19@22; ground and rolled barley, $26.50@27.50; cornmeal, $23@24; cracked corn, $23@25; oilcake meal, $30@32.50 as to quality; cocoanut cake, $25; chopped and mixed feed, $15@18; cottonseed meal, $29@30.

VARIOUS—Bales, 100 lbs each, 10 lb sacks; oatmeal, $4.25@4.50; oat groats, $4.50; cornmeal, $2.50@3.25; buckwheat flour, $4@4.25; S. R. do, $5.75; graham flour, $3.25@4; rye flour, $2.75; rye meal, $2.50; pearled barley, boxes, $5; split peas, yellow, $4.25; do, green, $4.50; rolled oats, in bbls, $5.65@6.25 for wood and $5.65@6.05 for sacks.

FRUITS, RAISINS AND NUTS.

FRESH FRUITS—Apples, 40c@1.50 per box, some fancy being held higher; lady, $1@1.50; pears, 50c@$1.

Grapes—Table varieties, 50c@$1, including crates, latter only for Verdel.

Lemons—From $1@3.50 per box; limes, Mexican, $3@3.50; California, 35@50c for small boxes and 75c@$1 for large, some extra being held higher.

Bananas—$1.25@2.50 per bunch; pineapples, $1.50@5 per doz.

Cranberries—Eastern, $8@9.50 per bbl.

Oranges—Seedlings, 50c@$1.25 per box; navels, $2@2.75; some extra, $3; Japanese, $1@1.25.

Persimmons—40@75c per box.

Dates—New crop Persian, 6@6½c per lb; do Fard, 10@11c.

DRIED FRUITS—Apricots, 10@12c per lb for royal; pears, 5@7c for quarters and 6@9c for halves; peaches, 6½@7½c for good to choice, 8@9c for fancy and 14@16c for peeled; plums, 4@6c for pitted and 1@1½c for unpitted; evaporated apples, 7@1½c; sun dried do, 4@4½c; nectarines, nominal; black figs in sacks, 3½@4c.

Prunes—40-50's, 7½c; 50-60's, 5½@5½c; 60-70's, 4@4½c; 70-80's, 2¾@3c; 80-90's, 2½@2¾c; 90-100's, 2¼@2½c; 100-110's, 1¾@2c; 110-120's, 1½c.

RAISINS—F. o. b. Fresno: Boxes, 20 lbs net, 6-crown imperial clusters, $2.50 per box; 5-crown dehesa clusters, $2; 4-crown fancy clusters, $1.50; 3-crown London layers, $1.20; 2-crown do, $1.10; 4-crown loose muscatels, 50-lb boxes, 5¼c per lb; 3-crown do, 4¾c; 2-crown do, 3¾c; seedless muscatels, do, 50-lb boxes, 3½c; unpraded loose muscatels, do, 3½c; sultanas, unbleached, do, 4½c.

NUTS—Almonds, 15@16c per lb for paper shell and 12@14c for soft; walnuts, 9@9½c for soft and —— for hard; peanuts, 4½@5c for California and 6@6½c for Eastern; Brazil, 10c; filberts, 9½@10c; polished pecans, Texas, 7@9c; pinenuts, 7@8c; cocoanuts, $5@5.50 per 100; Italian chestnuts, 9@10c per lb.

VEGETABLES.

VARIOUS—Tomatoes, 25@75c per box and up to $1 for Los Angeles; green peppers, 4@6c per lb; string beans, 8@10c per lb; garlic, 5@7c; green peas, 6@8c; cream squash, 30@40c per box; rhubarb, 10c per lb.

ONIONS—50@75c per ctl for Californian.

POTATOES—River burbanks, 60@85c per sack; Salinas do, 75c@$1.25 per ctl; Oregon do, 75c@$1.10; early rose, 50@55c; Oregon chile garnet, 65@75c; sweet, $1.50@1.60 for Merced and 75c@$1 for river.

BUTTER, CHEESE AND HONEY.

BUTTER—Creameries 26@29c per lb and occasionally higher; dairies, 20@25c; pickled, 17@18c for dairy rolls and 19@20c for creamery squares; firkin, 17@20c; creamery in tubs, 20@22½c.

CHEESE—California flats, 10@12½c per lb, with fancy mild new at 13c; Young America, 11@13c; New York cream, 12½@13½c; Western, 12@12½c.

HONEY—Bright comb, 8@10c per lb and 11c for fancy; other grades, 6@7½c; extracted, 4½@5½c for amber, 5½@5½c for light amber and 5½@6c for water white.

BEESWAX—24@26c per lb.

POULTRY, GAME AND EGGS.

EGGS—California, 35@37½c per doz for best ranch; other grades, 25@3c; Eastern, 25@30c.

POULTRY—California: Hens, $3@4.50 per doz; broilers, $3@3.50 for small and $3.50@4 for large; fryers, $4@4.50; roosters, $4@4.50 for old and $4.50@5 for young; geese, $1.50@1.75 per pair; ducks, $4.50@6 per doz; turkeys, 12½@14½c per lb for live; dressed turkeys, 13@16c; pigeons, $1 per doz for old and $1.50@1.75 for young.

GAME—Doves, 50@60c per doz; hare, 75c@$1; rabbits, $1@1.50; gray geese, $2.50; white do, $1; English snipe, $2; common do, $1@1.25; ducks, mallard, $3.50@4; teal, $1.25@1.5; spring, $2@2.50; widgeon, $1.25@1.50; small, $1; canvasback, $4@5; brant, $1@1.50; honkers, $3@4; quail, $1.50.

WOOL, HIDES AND TALLOW.

WOOL—Spring—Humboldt and Mendocino, 14@16c per lb; northern, 12@14c; foothills, 11@12½c; southern, 7@9c. Fall—Humboldt and Mendocino, 9@11c; northern mountain, 7@8c; southern do, 6@7½c; plains, 5@8c; Oregon and Washington, choice Eastern, 10@12c; do poor, 7@9c; do valley, choice, 14@15c; do low grades, 10@12c.

HIDES AND SKINS—Dry hides, 15c per lb for sound and 12c for culls; calf, sound, light, 17c and 13c for culls; kip and veal, sound, 15c, and 12c for culls.

Heavy salted steers, sound, 10c; medium, sound, 9c; light, sound, 8c; heavy salted cows, sound, 8½c; do light, 8c; salted kip, sound, 8½c; salted calf, sound, 9c; salted veal, sound, 8½c; culls and brands, 1c less on above.

Pelts, long wool, 80c@$1.10 each; medium do, 50@70c; short do, 30@40c; shearlings, 15@25c.

HORSE HIDES—Salt, large prime, $2 each; medium, $3.50; small, 75c; colts, 50c. Dry, large, $1.50; medium, $1; small, 50c.

TALLOW—Country, 3@3½c per lb for No. 1 and 2½c for No. 2; grease, 2c.

PROVISIONS.

HAMS—Sugar cured, California, 9@9½c per lb; Eastern, 10@10½c; A-J-C, 10½c; picnic hams, 6½@7c; New York shoulders, 6½c; bacon, extra light, sugar cured, 12@12½c; medium, 7¾@8c; light, 8¼@8½c; light, 10@11c; extra light, 11c.

PORK—Clear and extra do, $16.50@17 per bbl; hf do, $8.50; extra mess, $15.50 per bbl; prime, $16.50@11; pigs' feet, hf bbls, $4.50; dry salted pork, 7½@9c per lb.

BEEF—Mess, $10@11 per bbl; extra mess, $11@11.50; family, $12.50@13.50; California, sugar cured, smoked, 11@12c per lb; pickled tongues, hf bbls, $9.

LARD—California pure, 10-lb tins, 7½c per lb; 5-lb, 7½c; in tierces, 6¾c; do compound, 5c for tierces; Eastern pure, in tierces, 7½c; do, 10-lb tins, 8c; 5-lb, 8½c; 3-lb, 8¾c.

COTTOLENE—Single case lots: 1-lb pails, 60 lb a case, 9½c per lb; 3-lb, 20 do, 8¾c; 5-lb, 12 do, 8½c; 10-lb, 6 do, 8½c; 50-lb tins, 7½c; wooden buckets, 20 lbs net, 8½c; fancy tubs, 30 lbs net, 7¾c; hf bbls, about 110 lbs, 7¾c; 80 lbs net, 7¼c; 2 do, 6½c; 5 do, 5¾c; tierces, 5¾c, 6c and 6½c for five, two and one respectively.

DRESSED MEATS.

Slaughterers' prices for whole carcasses:

BEEF—No. 1 steers, 6½@7c per lb; second quality, 6@6½c; No. 1 cows and heifers, 5½@6c; second quality, 5@5½c.

VEAL—6@6½c per lb for large and 7@8c for small.

LAMB—7½@8c per lb.

MUTTON—Wethers, 7@7½c per lb; ewes, 6½@7c.

HOGS—6@7c per lb.

Live, herd grain fed, 125 pounds and over, 4¼@4¾c per lb; under 125 pounds, 3¾@4c; rough heavy, over 125 pounds, 2½@3½c.

GENERAL MERCHANDISE.

QUICKSILVER—Local price, $41@41.50 per flask and $37 for export in round lots.

LEAD—Pig, 5c per lb; pipe, 5¾@6¼c; sheet, 6¼@6½c.

SHOT—Drop, $1.35 per bag; buck and chilled, $1.60.

COAL—The wholesale yard prices per ton are as follows: Wellington, $8; Southfield do, $7.50; Coos Bay, $5; Bryant, $6; Castle Gate, Provo and in bulk and $9.75 in sacks; Wallsend, Sydney, $7.50; Cannel, $10; Seattle, $6; Roslyn, $6.

COKE—English, $12 per ton in bulk and $14 in sacks.

PIG IRON—Spot prices: Barrow, $24 per ton; Alabama, No. 1, $23; No. 2, $22; Gartsherrie, $24; Thomas, $23; Cargo Fleet, nominal; Shotts, nominal; Clay Lane, $25.

LIME—$1.15 per bbl.

CEMENT—$2.75@3.25 per bbl for Portland.

PLASTER—California, $2.25@2.35 per bbl.

TANBARK—Strictly No. 1, peel of 1898, cord of 2,400 lbs, $14; cargo lots.

FIRE BRICK—$30@35 per M; fire clay, $2.75@3 per bbl.

SUGAR—Net cash prices for not less than 25 barrels: Cube, crushed and fine crushed, 6⅞c per lb; powdered, 6⅝c; dry granulated and confectioners' A, 5⅝c; magnolia A, 5⅝c; extra C, 5⅛c; golden C, 5⅛c; candy granulated and California A, 5⅛c; half bbls 1c per lb and boxes ⅛c above the price of barrels.

RECEIPTS OF PRODUCE.

From the Interior—Flour, 26,450 qr sks; wheat, 44,722 ctls; barley, 26,670 do; rye, 10 do; butter, 172 do; cheese, 55 do; beans, 1,973 sks; potatoes, 12,023 do; onions, 1,039 do; mustard seed, 293 do; bran, 1,120 do; middlings, 245 do; flaxseed, 275 do; hay, 772 tons; straw, 5 do; pelts, 507 bdls; hides, 1,750; lime, 182 bbls; chicory, 52 kgs; eggs, 9,420 doz; quicksilver, 192 flasks; leather, 184 rolls; lumber, 75,000 ft; wine, 65,050 gals; wool, 347 bales; raisins, 1,062 boxes, brandy, 24,640 gals; sugar, 268 sks.

Coastwise—Barley, 180 ctls; oats, 360 do; beans, 664 sks; potatoes, 58 do; wool, 32 bales.

Oregon—Flour, 14,639 qr sks; barley, 13,500 ctls; potatoes, 4,853 sks; onions, 300 do; bran, 2,400 do; flaxseed, 275 do; hay, 5 cars.

Washington—Flour, 3,464 qr sks; wheat, 2,750 ctls; barley, 1,870 do; oats, 9,250 do; hops, 134 bales.

Eastern—Corn, 1,260 ctls.

Nevada—Hay, 6 cars.

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

STEAMERS TO ARRIVE.

Pomona, Eureka ..... Dec. 28
Weeott, Yaquina Bay ..... Dec. 28
Aloha, Point Arena ..... Dec. 28
Centennial, Seattle ..... Dec. 28
Bonita, Southern Coast ..... Dec. 28
Mackinaw, Tacoma ..... Dec. 29
Coos Bay, San Pedro, etc ..... Dec. 29
Point Arena, Point Arena ..... Dec. 29
Acapulco, Panama ..... Dec. 30
North Fork, Eureka ..... Dec. 30
Columbia, Portland ..... Dec. 31
Corona, San Diego, etc ..... Dec. 31
Chilkat, Eureka ..... Dec. 31
Titania, Nanaimo ..... Dec. 31
Charles Nelson, Seattle ..... Dec. 31
Buth, Coos Bay ..... Dec. 31
Grace Dollar, Gray's Harbor ..... Jan. 1
Queen, Victoria ..... Jan. 1
Wellington, Departure Bay ..... Jan. 1
Coquille River, Tillamook Bay ..... Jan. 1
Arcata, Coos Bay ..... Jan. 1
Orizaba, San Pedro, etc ..... Jan. 1
Pomona, Eureka ..... Jan. 1

STEAMERS TO DEPART.

Barbara Hernster, Coquille River ..... Dec. 28
City of Para, Panama ..... Dec. 28
Samoa, Eureka ..... Dec. 28
Alliance, Portland ..... Dec. 28
Empire, Coos Bay ..... Dec. 28
Czarina, Seattle ..... Dec. 28
Alliance, Portland ..... Dec. 28
Alameda, Sydney ..... Dec. 29
Umatilla from Victoria ..... Dec. 29
State of California, Portland ..... Dec. 29
Arcata, Coos Bay ..... Dec. 29
Cleone, Crescent City ..... Dec. 29
Crescent City, Crescent City ..... Dec. 29
Santa Rosa, San Diego, etc ..... Dec. 29
Aloha, Point Arena ..... Dec. 29
Weeott, Yaquina Bay ..... Dec. 30
Signal, Gray's Harbor ..... Dec. 30
Pomona, Eureka ..... Dec. 30
Coos Bay, San Pedro, etc ..... Dec. 31
Point Arena, Point Arena ..... Dec. 31
Umatilla, Victoria ..... Jan. 1
Chilkat, Eureka ..... Jan. 1
North Fork, Eureka ..... Jan. 2
Corona, San Diego, etc ..... Jan. 2
Grace Dollar, Gray's Harbor ..... Jan. 2

Movements of Ocean Steamers.

TRANSATLANTIC STEAMERS.

ANTWERP—Sailed, December 28, stmr Noordland, for New York.

NEW YORK—Arrived, December 28, stmr Spaarndam, from Rotterdam.

LIVERPOOL—Arrived, December 28, stmr Cephalonia, from Boston.

BREMEN—Arrived, December 28, stmr Weimar, from New York.

Sun, Moon and Tide Table.

	HIGH WATER.		LOW WATER.	
	Large.	Small.	Large.	Small.
Dec. 28	10:50 am	9:59 pm	6:07 pm	4:56 am
Dec. 29	11:28 am	1:34 am	6:40 pm	5:35 am
Dec. 30	0:08 pm	2:05 am	7:11 pm	6:34 am
Dec. 31	0:49 pm	2:47 am	7:41 pm	7:13 am

For the tides at Mission street wharf add twenty-five minutes.

MOON'S PHASES.	D.	H.	M.
Last quarter	6	2	6 am
New moon	13	3	43 am
First quarter	19	7	22 pm
Full moon	27	3	39 pm

DECEMBER 28—Moon rises....5:23 pm
Sun rises.....7:21 am | Sun sets.....4:53 pm

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OLD BRIDGE TENDER ANSWERS LAST CALL.

John Leavy, for seventeen years bridge tender at the Webster street draw-bridge, died Monday at his home on Seventh street near Harrison. Leavy was a well known character along the water front, and to those who had occasion to cross the bridge. During his years of services as tender he lived in a little house just off the roadway at the side of the bridge. He was tender at this bridge at the May day disaster several years ago, when the narrow gauge train ran into the open draw. His testimony before the Coroner's inquest was to the effect that the danger signals were set at the time. The engineer of the train disappeared and has never been heard of since.

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H. Schellhaas' store looks up loud, newly painted and new display of holiday goods. 408 Eleventh st.; phone blue 852; see.

Same to "U."

Christmas and New Year's greeting. H. Schellhaas, the furniture dealer, to come and see our display at 408 Eleventh st., cor. Franklin, old store.

NOTICE.

Second hand bicycles $10; 1899 Clevelands $40 and $50; 1899 Crescents $25 and $35; baby wheels for Christmas. Leavitt & Hill, 21 San Pablo ave. Phone white 864.

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Trains are Due to Arrive and Leave —at— OAKLAND SIXTEENTH STREET STATION.

Leave.	From Nov. 29, 1898.	Arrive.
7:34 a	Benicia, Suisun, Sacramento	10:09 a
7:34 a	Marysville, Oroville and Redding via Woodland	5:11 p
7:34 a	Vacaville and Rumsey	8:07 p
8:04 a	Vallejo, Napa, Calistoga, Santa Rosa, Martinez and San Ramon	5:45 p
6:37 a	Atlantic Express, Ogden and East	8:07 p
9:36 a	Martinez, Tracy, Lathrop, Merced and Fresno	11:45 a
9:36 a	New Orleans Express, Fresno, Santa Barbara and Los Angeles, El Paso, New Orleans and the East	6:03 p
.....	Fresno, Mendota, Tracy and Martinez	6:03 p
10:31 a	Vallejo, Martinez and way stations	7:14 p
4:34 p	Vallejo, Napa, Calistoga, El Verano, Santa Rosa, Martinez and San Ramon	8:41 a
4:38 p	Benicia, Vacaville, Woodland, Knight's Landing, Marysville, Oroville and Sacramento	10:09 a
5:39 p	Martinez, Tracy, Mendota, Fresno, Bakersfield, Santa Barbara and Los Angeles	8:03 a
5:39 p	Martinez, Lathrop, Stockton, Merced and Fresno	11:45 a
5:39 p	Santa Fe Route, Atlantic Express for Mojave and East	6:03 p
*5:39 p	"Pacific Coast Limited," El Paso, Fort Worth, Little Rock, St. Louis and East	*6:03 p
6:40 p	European Mail, Ogden and East	9:09 a
*6:40 p	Vallejo	11:45 a
†7:31 p	Vallejo, Port Costa and way stations	10:21 p
8:39 p	Oregon Express, Sacramento, Marysville, Redding, Portland, Puget Sound and East	7:30 a
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5:16 a	Peters, Oakdale and Jamestown	3:37 p
*9:16 a	Milton	*6:40 p
12:35 p	Niles, Tracy, Stockton, Mendota, Hanford, Exeter, Porterville	3:37 p
5:09 p	Niles, San Jose and Stockton	7:07 a
6:34 p	Niles and San Jose	7:07 a
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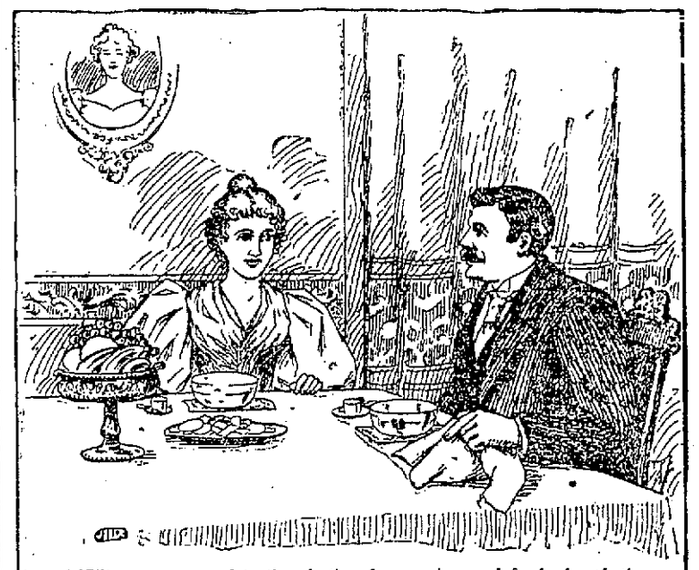

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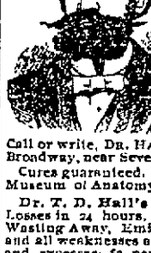

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HELLER WILL TRY TO OUST SHERIFF-ELECT ROGERS.

Fifth Ward Names Its Candidates for Councilmen.

Joseph Harris Seeks Superintendency of Blind.

CHURCH REPLIES TO DERRICK'S CHARGES.

Sheriff-elect Oscar Rogers is accused of violating the purity of election laws, and as a consequence an action has been brought against him to prevent his taking the office to which he was elected by a majority of over 10,000. This is the first time since the passage of the law that it has ever been evoked in this county, and as a consequence considerable interest centers about the case.

The action has been commenced by Sam W. Heller, through his attorneys, Sawyer and Bennett. Heller was the nominee for Sheriff of the disfranchised wing of Populism, known as the Middle-of-the-Roadsters. Later he blossomed out as an Independent candidate but after his failure to secure endorsement by the Independent convention, retired from the arena in favor of Rogers. Heller alleges this was done upon an ante-election promise of Rogers to appoint him a deputy, and asserts that Dr. George H. Derrick, former State president of the A. P. A., acted as the go-between to make the bargain.

Heller did not get the deputyship he declares he was promised, and now wants revenge. In his complaint he recites:

"That at a time in October, 1898, and while said contestant was a candidate, Oscar L. Rogers solicited and sought the friends of said contestant and secured the aid of said friends to approach and get said contestant to withdraw as the candidate aforesaid, and as an inducement and consideration to the contestant for the withdrawal and votes for him, Oscar L. Rogers, and for said contestant's aid and following and support in the election of said Oscar L. Rogers, he, the said Oscar L. Rogers, did then and there offer and agree with Dr. George H. Derrick, an elector of Alameda county, who was then and there a friend of the contestant, to appoint the contestant to a public office, towit, Deputy Sheriff of Alameda county, to act on and after the 1st day of January, 1899, and for four years thereafter; and such premise, agreement, inducement and consideration conveyed to the contestant by said George H. Derrick, and in consideration of said agreement said contestant did withdraw and did do all within his means and power in aid of the election of Oscar L. Rogers.

"That after said promise and the withdrawal of said contestant, and at a time prior to the 8th of November, 1898, Oscar L. Rogers, with full knowledge of said promise and the withdrawal of the contestant, confirmed the offer and promise and did then and there agree to make such good in every respect.

"The contestant alleges that Oscar L. Rogers made like offers and promises prior to said election as an inducement in aid thereof to W. S. Harlow, Geo. Taylor, W. W. Morrison, J. H. Striker, Elmer Walsh, George Wales, William Holland, Hugh Smith and one O'Bannion.

"Wherefore the contestant prays that Oscar L. Rogers be not allowed to take the office to which he was elected and that the same be declared forfeited."

Another question has been raised in this connection. It is whether Heller by his own admission is not guilty of breaking the law, if his tale be true. The citation will probably be issued today and the outcome of the case will be watched with interest.

Lin S. Church, attorney for Mr. Rogers, made the following statement this morning: "Dr. Derrick wrote to Rogers recently, reminding him of his alleged promise made at their interview and stated that everything had been taken down in black and white. He further stated that if the promise were not kept he would be called upon before he took his seat.

"Rogers says he never made any promise to Dr. Derrick that he would make Heller a deputy though he said he had agreed with the Doctor that it might be a good idea as it might influence a good many votes. This was in my presence and he called the Doctor's attention to the fact that the purity of election laws would not permit the promising of a deputyship.

"I think it is a conspiracy pure and simple. They have instituted a contest but they are too late as a contest must be brought within forty days after return day. The Supreme Court has just handed down a decision that return day is the first Monday after election which in this case would be the 14th, therefore the latest a contest could have meen instituted would have been on the 24th of December.

"Dr. Derrick refused to show the statement to me saying it would be shown at the proper time. He said also that he felt justified in having some one behind the folding doors to take down the conversation as his past experience in such matters had taught him that it was best to have a witness on such occasions.

"I do not accuse Dr. Derrick of being a party to this conspiracy or attempting to do anything wrong. I am satisfied that it will be thrown out of court."

FELTON TAYLOR AND FRANK PARCELLS FOR THE CITY COUNCIL.

The citizens of the Fifth ward have started the municipal political ball rolling. They believe in taking time by the forelock and last night endorsed two candidates for members of the Council. They are Felton Taylor, for the ward and Frank Parcells at large.

The meeting was held in Reed Hall and was well attended. Warren B. English called the gathering to order and was elected chairman. Edwin Booth was chosen secretary. The call for the assemblage had previously been issued by a committee composed of G. R. Lukens, W. I. Reed, A. C. Henry, Judge Haven and Prof. George C. Edwards, all of whom were in attendance.

After some preliminary discussion, the interests of the Fifth ward were taken up and Prof. Edwards suggested that the citizens assembled make their selections at once, so that early organized work could be done to insure their election. Others disagreed with Edwards, believing it was yet too early to make any endorsements.

Dr. Webster hurled a hot shot at Councilman Woodward and concluded by urging immediate action.

Warren English declared the Democrats would recognize the meeting if the Republicans did not.

"The ward wants good men," he said. "If we name such I will guarantee that the Democrats will nominate them if the Republicans don't. But the Republicans will surely do more for us than the Democrats, for there are far more Republicans than Democrats here."

At this point G. R. Lukens moved that the citizens assembled proceed to the naming of candidates. In this he was opposed by Prof. Edwards, E. C. Sessions, A. Knight, A. C. Henry, H. C. McPike and others, but the motion prevailed by a vote of 31 to 22.

A. Schilling, Felton Taylor, George H. Collins and A. Barstow were placed in nomination. When the vote showed the selection of Mr. Taylor, his election was made unanimous. Judge Haven declined nomination, as did also Mr. English.

Nominations for Councilman-at-Large were then made. Mr. Barstow and Mr. Schilling were again named, and William Nat Friend proposed Frank Parcells. Mr English spoke for Schilling, but it was stated that the latter would not accept. Mr. Parcells was chosen, and on motion of English the choice was made unanimous.

The selections of the Fifth warders are to be brought to the attention of the Republicans by a committee of five, two each to be appointed by the candidates chosen and the fifth by Chairman English.

JOSEPH HARRIS WANTS TO BE SUPERINTENDENT OF THE BLIND HOME.

The probability of Governor Gage appointing a new Superintendent for the Home of the Adult Blind, to replace Jack Hays, who secured his berth under the Democratic regime, has caused a stir among Republicans.

Joseph Harris, for twenty-eight years a merchant of Oakland, has shied his caster in the arena and is making a strong bid for the position. He has circulated a petition which has the signatures of all the county and city officials and is headed by the name of Dr. George C. Pardee and Congressman-elect Victor H. Metcalf. This will be presented to Governor Gage shortly after his inauguration.

All About a Dog.

Joe Slutan took a dog to Fitchburg to turn over to Mrs. Lulu Seward. John Martin, a gardener employed at the Seward place, cut the string with which Slutan was leading the animal, and this so enraged the latter that he attacked Martin with a pitchfork. Martin got his assailant down and was choking him when both men were arrested. They were brought to the county jail. Martin was released on his own recognizance.

Christmas Tree Festival.

The Christmas tree festivities of St. Andrew's Episcopal Sunday School, West Oakland, will be held this evening in the school room at 7 o'clock. All the children of the Sunday school are invited to be present.

Undertakers Are After the Morgue.

Coroner-elect Dr. H. B. Mehrmann stated this morning that he had not yet made up his mind as to where he will locate the morgue. A great many rumors are to be heard on the street in reference to the morgue. Dr. Mehrmann, however, says there is no truth in any of the rumors. He asserts that he will be Coroner and will conduct the business of the office in his own way.

Undertaker Albert Brown, who has had the morgue for years, asserts that the Coroner-elect will not change the location. It is asserted that Mr. Brown assisted Dr. Mehrmann in his election and now expects to be rewarded.

On the other hand Undertaker McCarthy declares that he is sure to get the morgue. In fact he is so confident that he laughs at Brown's statements concerning the matter.

Dr. Mehrmann said: "I have not made any promises in this matter. In fact I have not yet decided on the location of the morgue. Of course I have heard a great many rumors on the street, but there is not a word of truth in any of them. I propose to be Coroner and will not be dictated to by any one."

The fact is, there is a battle royal in progress over the morgue. It is almost certain that McCarthy will get the prize. In fact the matter seems to be settled

PRISONERS IN COURT TO BE SENTENCED.

Judge Ellsworth Does Not Believe a Sailor's Story.

Mrs. Anna Mentel Was Not Ready to Enter Her Plea.

Ten people were lined up in Judge Ellsworth's court this morning to answer to criminal charges. They were Richard Mead, for burglary; C. J. Sims, for burglary; Louis Siminoff, for burglary; J. W. Lynn, charged with assault to murder his wife; J. P. Reddy, charged with criminal assaut; John L. Sherman, convicted of embezzlement; J. F. O'Brien, charged with burglary; F. H. Cheeseman, charged with the murder of H. J. Brooke; Louis De Bret, charged with perjury.

Mrs. Anna Mentel, charged with the murder of her husband, sat on one side with Attorney Foote.

The case of J. F. O'Brien, charged with burglarizing the rooms of Miss Tessie Ariett, was continued to February 23d on account of his attorney, T. F. Garrity, not being ready to go on with the trial.

Louis De Bret had his case set for January. He is charged with perjury.

Richard Mead pleaded guilty to two charges of burglary and was sentenced to two years' imprisonment at San Quentin.

The prosecution asked that the court be lenient with Mead, as this was his first offense, and he was assured that Mead had been induced to commit his deed by another person.

Judge Ellsworth asked the prisoner what he had to say why sentence should not be passed upon him. Mead said that he was a sailor, and had recently been married, and was induced to steal the goods because of want. The court said that story was getting to be too old, and gave him two years. Mead entered the house of J. H. Swift on November 11th and stole some blankets, rugs and other articles.

John W. Lynn, who has been brought back from the insane asylum to answer a charge of attempting to murder his wife, was arraigned and entered a plea of not guilty. His case was set for trial on February 18th. Attorney Hugh Aldrich appeared for the prisoner.

The case of Frank H. Cheeseman, who was brought back from the asylum to stand trial for the murder of H. J. Brooke, had his case continued to January 4th for trial.

The case of J. P. Reddy was continued by consent to January 19th.

The cases of Louis Siminoff and C. J. Sims (colored), both charged with burglary in Alameda, were set for trial on February 1st and 3d respectively.

Mrs. Anna Mentel, who shot and killed her husband in Alameda, appeared in court this morning to be arraigned. Attorney Foote was not ready to go on with the case, and asked for a continuance of one weeks. This was granted. Mrs. Mentel appeared calm and collected, and did not seem to be disturbed by being in court. She was dressed in black and wore a black veil.

ARRESTED ON A GRAVE CHARGE.

Clinton Henry and Winslow Fossit of Alameda were arrested in Fruitvale yesterday on charges of criminal assault on the 12-year-old daughter of Mrs. Birricke. The young men are aged eighteen and nineteen years respectively. The crime is alleged to have been committed about 3 o'clock in the afternoon. They were arrested by Officer Quinlan about 4:30 o'clock and taken before the young girl who identified the men as her assailants. They were brought to the County Jail and released late last night on bail. The mother will swear out a complaint.

LICENSED TO MARRY.

Rasmus Hansen, Oakland.. 30
Martha Michael, Oakland ..A.....17
George T. Haberlan, Berkeley 23
Mary Castella, Oakland.. 22
Charles J. Campbell, Fruitvale 40
Jessie McLean, Oakland.. 23
Walter Morris Hart, Berkeley.....26
Agnes Borland, Oakland.. 24
Charles A. Jones, Beowane 38
Mary Loneta Joyce, Oakland 27
Frank Moore Phillips, Oakland.....25
Birdina Winifred Prescott, Oakland..22
William Henry Hinsdale, Oakland..21
Florence Chase Morron, Oakland 22
William Henry Nahmuth, Alameda..29
Lina Carethine Thompson, Alameda.18
John David Condon, San Francisco..21
Mary Agnes Townley, San Francisco.22
Charles Jacob Graff, Vallejo.....27
Florence Pollitt, Oakland.. 19
Charles Frederick Benton, San Francisco 20
Edith Williams, San Francisco.....26
Sanford De Witt Hastings, Oakland..28
Etta Smyth, Oakland 24
Herbert Eugene Brown, Romie 38
Mary E. Humphreys, Oakland 22
Alma Fulton Copeland, Merced City..20
Frances Bryan, Oakland 19
Martin Van Buren Bronson, Verda..54
Mary E. Waterman, Santa Rosa.....50

Childrens' Party.

The Sunday school children of the First Unitarian Church will be given a children's party at the parish house this afternoon. Supper will be served at 5 o'clock, after which games and exercises by the school will follow.

J. West Martin Better.

It is reported that J. West Martin's condition is much improved. He has been confined to his room for some time with an acute attack of rheumatism, and his life at one time was dispaired of.

Wants a Jury Trial.

The cases of Frank Cardano and J. McClutchy charged with reckless driving was continued in the Police Court this morning until January 10th, when they will be tried by a jury.

Will Value an Estate.

J. R. Whittaker, W. D. Pennycook, and W. J. Costello have been appointed appraisers of the estate of Hannah Minahan, deceased.

MERCHANTS ADVISE WITH LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION

Urge the Passage of Several Important Measures.

Lower Insurance Rates and the Tunnel Asked for.

The Merchants' Exchange met last evening in the headquarters in the Central ank building, to advise with the members of the Alameda County Legislative delegation, concerning measures of municipal interest, which may be brought up at this session.

When President Arper called the meeting to order, besides a dozen or so members of the Exchange, there were present, Senator F. Stratton, E. K. Taylor and Assemblyman J. K. Knowland and J. M. Kelley. A telegram from Assemblyman Wright announcing his illness and inability to attend.

The reports of committees being first called for, J. F. W. Sohst spoke of the progress made by the consolidation committe. He said that the committee had agreed to have a petition circulated among property owners, solely, urging the consolidation of the cities in the county. This petition is to be presented to the legislature and is expected to be a thoroughly representative one. Mr. Sohst declared the residents of the eastern end of the county were very anxious to have the county divided. He believed that this division and consolidation would be the greatest thing possible for the general good. The present high taxation, he declared, resulted in keeping people from settling here. By consolidation he argued the expenses of the county would be greatly decreased, and this would result in bringing many residents to this section.

"If this consolidation cannot be effected, then let's do away with our city assessor, city auditor, city treasurer and as many of our city officials as we can. Let us have but one set and thus reduce our expenses," pleaded Sohst.

The speaker referred to the fact that the county treasurernow paid the city teachers, and on the same line argued that there were now too many officials drawing from the public treasury, and as a consequence, the expenses of the city were greatly increased.

In conclusion Sosht advised a joint meeting of the Exchange and Board of Trade to foster this petition, in order that it may be speedily presented to the Legislature.

The appointments of members of the insurance committee were then announced as follows: President Arper, Secretary Walker, directors Sohst, Farwell and Brown. It was announced that a meeting would be held shortly.

Matters of general interest to the county and city were then taken up for discussion with the legislators. The first was the proposed bill authorizing the division of counties of the State.

Sohst and Walker reported having conferred with Attorneys Glascock and Howard relative to the framing of a proper bill in this connection. Sohst stated that it was the intention to circulate a subscription list at the time the general petition for consolidation was presented. He declared what was now needed most, was money.

Assemblyman Knowland asked Sohst whether or not it was the intention to circulate the bill throughout the entire county and received an affirmative answer.

The second subject taken up was the proposed measure to prevent the garnishment of the salaries of public officials, but it was not discussed to any extent.

The passage of such legislation as will permit the formation under proper restrictions of mutual fire insurance companies in this State, as advocated by the Exchange, brought out considerable discussion.

President Arper declared California was in the background in this matter. He called upon A. A. Bretz to explain a bill he had once introduced in the Legislature, but which had been pocketed by Governor Markham.

Bretz declared the policy holders always became their own insurers eventually. He believed the people were in darkness with regard to mutual insurance. He stated that there were 422 mutual insurance companies in five States, 100 of which were in Pensylvania. The people of this State insured in mutual companies over $6,000,000, and the rate was not 46 cents per hundred, while in California the same year the rate was $1.47 per hundred.

Rhode Island's rate was 32 cents, against $1.47 in California. Ohio's rates were but 47 cents; Michigan's 44 cents; Missouri 33 cents. All of this was due to the "mutual" idea, properly carried out, so Bretz declared. Had this insurance all been placed in California at stock rates, it would have cost $25,480,000, whereas under the mutual idea, it cost but $6,000,000 odd dollars.

Then Bretz traced the insurance business from its inception somewhere back in the time of ignorance to date. He declared Californians were overcharged for insurance, because the insurance companies paid fabulous salaries—salaries out of all proportion to Eastern mutual companies. The speaker drew comparisons, quoting the figures of several companies and declared that under the mutual plan the people are protected and that the Legislature should pass a measure whereby it could be put in operation here.

Secretary Walker stated that the Merchants' Association of San Francisco had offered to co-operate. He also declared that the insurance men had been invited to show their side of the case, but that they had failed to materialize.

Bretz announced that at present he was writing insurance at 25 per cent below the compact rates and was still getting 25 per cent commission. He asserted that the establishment of mutual insurance companies would set the rate, which other companies were bound to meet, thereby insuring lower premiums. Bretz then launched into a Populistic speech, concluding by declaring the Democrats had swallowed up the Populists, but had not eaten him, for he was now a Republican.

The amendment to the road law, so as to permit the expenditure of money from the general funds of counties, for the construction of tunnels, roads and bridges, was next brought up. Director D. C. Brown disapproved of including roads in the measure, though he advocated the other two points, particularly tunnels. Secretary Walker spoke for the proposed amendment in its originality. He wanted the city of Oakland to pay its proportion of the cost of roads which are of direct benefit.

Brown, Sohst and Walker then expressed their views for a half hour, while Director Wilson skirmished among the coal bins for fuel to keep the members from freezing. When the fire blazed up the next subject was called. It provides for the amendment of the present debtor law as proposed by the Retail Grocers' Association and Butchers' Board of Trade, which will furnish a surer and quicker mode of collecting so-called bad debts.

Secretary Walker announced that some members of the delegation feared the constitutionality of the measure, but that able attorneys had pronounced it thoroughly legal. The Exchange desired the bill passed, as it was in operation in several States and had proven a marked success.

Senator E. K. Taylor asked whether any bill had been framed relative to the tunnel through the hills to Contra Costa county. He was informed that nothing had as yet been done in this connection.

Senator Taylor, Assemblyman Knowland and Assemblyman Kelley each declined to make speeches, with thanks, though Kelley made a few remarks. Senator Stratton spoke briefly, and President Arper followed, urging in forcible language, the necessity of lower insurance rates. The meeting then adjourned.

BEET GROWERS ARE DISSATISFIED.

Owing to the poor accommodation and the scarcity of cars last season, it has been decided upon the part of the beet growers of this section of Alameda county to send in the following petition to the railroad company for better facilities this coming season. It is also the intention of the sugar company, if possible, to have a special engine handle the beet cars, both at this place and Alvarado, so that instead of the growers being compelled to await the arrival and departure of the regular freight train daily, the engine will do the work instead and keep the yard filled with empty cars so that the shippers will not be compelled to lose time in awaiting cars as in the past.

The petition now being signed by the growers for above accommodations reads as follows:

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MUST CONTRIBUTE TO HIS CHILDRENS SUPPORT.

Christopher Kershofer was ordered to appear before Judge Ogden yesterday to show cause why he should not contribute to the support of his divorced wife, Christina Kershofer and his minor children.

Mrs. Kershofer was put on the stand and testified that she did housework and received $10 a month and could not support her children. She also stated that Kershofer is receiving $75 a month and asked that he be ordered to contribute $25 a month toward the support of his family. The court ordered him to pay $15 a month.

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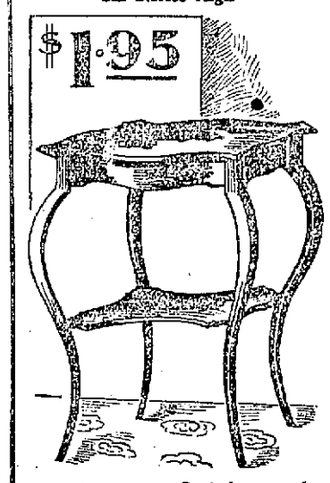

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PERSONAL AND SOCIAL.

Mrs. M. Hogan and daughter, Miss Mary Hogan, of San Jose are visiting in this city.

Homer and Hiller Hotchkiss of the U. C. are spending their vacation in Healdsburg.

Miss E. M. Daes of Santa Rosa is spending the holidays in this city, the guest of friends.

Robert Eveleth of the U. C. is spending his vacation in Santa Rosa.

Mrs. N. R. Davidson and daughter, Miss Norvella Maude Davidson, are spending the holidays in Santa Rosa.

Mrs. Delia Gerltchen of Santa Rosa is spending the holidays in this city.

P. Loveret is registered at the Palace, Napa.

Mr. White has returned from a visit to Valley Spring.

Winfield Dorn of the U. C. is spending his vacation at his home in Chico.

R. Devlin of this city divided first honor with Miss Annie McDonough of Vallejo in the essay composition contest in Alameda.

The Misses Bernstein are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Belden of Santa Rosa.

Dr. and Mrs. J. K. Secord of San Jose are the guests of their daughter, Mrs. Walter Hunt of this city.

Mrs. O. J. Leitchfield is the guest of her parents in Healdsburg.

T. W. Harris of Pleasanton was in this city last week on legal business.

Eugene Carpenter of the U. C. is spending his vacation in Vallejo.

Charles Plomteaux is the guest of friends in San Jose.

Mrs. W. Whalen and Miss Jennie Cook are spending the holidays with their parents in Healdsburg.

Miss Mabel Mery of the U. C. is spending the holidays in Chico.

L. D. Stephens and R. H. Beamer of Woodland are visiting in Berkeley.

Mrs. Ethel Campbell is visiting in Woodland.

Professor and Mrs. Pierce of Woodland are visiting in this city.

Miss Vesta Vail is visiting her parents in Chico.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Pierce of Los Angeles are visiting their son and daughter, Mrs. F. J. Wheop, and Dr. F. E. Pierce, of this city.

Miss Tillie Earl of the U. C. is spending the holidays at her home in Chico.

Dave Knowles of Manzanita Ranch is spending the holidays with relatives in this city.

William Long of West Oakland was recently in Haywards.

I. J. Dolan was recently visiting in Calistoga.

Miss Mabel Childs was recently visiting in Haywards.

M. D. Chamberlain of Woodland is visiting in Berkeley.

J. R. Holmes of the U. C. is spending the holidays in San Diego, a guest at the Hotel Florence.

The Misses Nellie and Josephine Barraclough of Los Angeles are spending the holidays in this city the guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Barraclough.

W. E. Creed of Fresno is spending the holidays with his family in this city.

Chester E. Priest of Fresno is the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Priest of this city.

Miss Feda Hatfield is the guest of her aunt, Mrs. L. T. Hatfield of Sacramento.

Herman Bendel and Fred Monet of Marysville are the guests of relatives in this city.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sebastian are the guests of G. W. Sautel and family of West Butte.

Mrs. Davies is visiting her parents in Colusa. She will remain there until spring.

Judge and Mrs. J. J. Allen have returned from their honeymoon trip to Santa Cruz.

H. W. Oliver was recently in Hanford.

Mrs. W. R. Thomas is the guest of relatives in Grass Valley.

Mr. and Mrs. Jay Ostrom of North Bloomfield are visiting in this city.

"TWO MARRIED MEN AT THE MACDONOUGH."

"The Bunch of Keys" Drawing Well at the Dewey.

"Two Married Men," which will be the next attraction at the Macdonough, is a glorious farce-comedy in three acts by George R. Edeson, and is one of the comedy hits of the year. The lines of the play are bright and witty, the characters are well drawn, and the plot abounds in the humorous and ludicrous situations that keep an audience in laughter from the rise of the curtain to the end of the play. It will be produced next Friday and Saturday, December 30th and 31st.

In the company which will produce the piece are J. Rush Bronson, Harry Devere and Jack Ellis, a trio hard to equal in farce-comedy. A feature of the performance is the singing and dancing of the pretty little duo, the Sisters Grierson.

THE DEWEY.

At the Dewey Opera House there will be another grand production tonight of Hoyt's "Bunch of Keys," which has already found favor with the patrons of this house. The audience last night was large and demonstrative. The singing and dancing of the principals was artistic and was greatly enjoyed. The setting of the piece is on an elaborate scale, the hotel scene being finely conceived and admirably executed. The play will be withdrawn after next Sunday night for other attractions.

HOTEL ARRIVALS.

Albany Hotel—J. E. Cary, Syracuse; C. J. Graff and wife, Vallejo; M. McGowen, San Francisco; H. S. Quigley, Oakland; Captain A. T. Chamblin and wife, Napa; M. E. Dailey, Fresno; G. Jackson, Oakland; L. Deckelvar, San Francisco.

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West Oakland Improvers.

The meeting of the West Oakland Improvement Club last night was decidedly brief. The committee appointed to get figures on the marsh land bounded by Campbell and Peralta, Eighteenth and Twenty-first streets, reported that owing to the difficulty in meeting the various owners of the property it was unable to make a complete report, and asked for more time. The request was granted, and the committee ordered to report at the regular meeting next Tuesday evening. The club then adjourned.

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SHERIFF'S SALE.

J. J. NORTH ET AL., Plaintiffs, vs. MARY R. MASTICK ET AL., Defendants. And Other Actions Consolidated. No. 12,826.

Order of sale and decree of foreclosure and sale.

Under and by virtue of an order of sale and decree of foreclosure and sale issued out of the Superior Court of the county of Alameda, of the State of California, on the 15th day of December, A. D. 1898, in the above entitled action, wherein other actions were consolidated, and wherein John Bell, S. E. Brown, Christian Raymaker, Joseph Thuman, C. Christensen, F. A. Halmbled, S. B. Kress, James Toohig, J. Y. Lummis, A. L. Matthis, J. B. Corswell, Thomas Arada, George D. Gray, Theodore Victors, Oakland Sash and Door Company, Dunham, Carrigan & Hayden Company, Smith & Young, W. I. Reed, J. J. North, assignee of the Fortin Brick Company, H. F. Kelley, R. G. Elmer, F. N. Woods & Co., Dalziel & Moller, F. M. Farwell, Charles Kjellstrom, G. C. Cunningham, P. J. Michels, Bush & Mallett Company and Richard Morris, plaintiffs in said actions, obtained a judgment and decree of foreclosure and sale against Mary R. Mastick, defendant, on the 3d day of March, A. D. 1898, which said judgment and decree were, on the 14th day of March, A. D. 1898, recorded in Judgment Book 33 of said Court, at page 317, in which actions W. F. Lewis was also a defendant, I am commanded to sell all that certain lot, piece or parcel of land, situate, lying and being in the city of Alameda, county of Alameda, State of California, and bounded and described as follows:

Commencing at a point where the northern line of Railroad avenue intersects the westerly line of Sherman street, and running thence westerly along said northern line of Railroad avenue seventy-five (75) feet; thence northerly and parallel with said line of Sherman street one hundred and 25-100 (100.25) feet; thence easterly and parallel with said Railroad avenue seventy-five (75) feet, and thence southerly along said line of Sherman street one hundred and 25-100 (100.25) feet to the point of commencement.

Public notice is hereby given that on

THURSDAY, THE 12TH DAY OF JANUARY A. D. 1899,

At ten o'clock A. M. of that day, in front of the Broadway entrance of the Court House of the county of Alameda, in the city of Oakland, I will, in obedience to said order of sale and decree of foreclosure and sale, sell the above described property, or so much thereof as may be necessary to raise sufficient money to satisfy said judgment, with interest and costs, etc., to the highest and best bidder, for lawful money of the United States.

Oakland, Dec. 15th, 1898.

CALVIN B. WHITE, Sheriff.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Estate of Maria E. McCourtney, deceased.

Notice is hereby given by the undersigned, administrator of the estate of Maria E. McCourtney, deceased, to the creditors of and all persons having claims against the said deceased, to exhibit them, with the necessary vouchers, within four months after the first publication of this notice, to the said administrator, at the office of J. E. McElroy, number 969 Broadway street, Oakland, California, which said office the undersigned selects as his place of business in all matters connected with said estate of Maria E. McCourtney, deceased.

A. I. McCOURTNEY,
Administrator of the estate of Maria E. McCourtney, deceased.

Dated, Oakland, December 14th, 1898.

Notice to Creditors.

Estate of Hermann Meese, sometimes called Hermann Meese Junior, deceased.

Notice is hereby given by the undersigned, administratrix of the estate of Hermann Meese, sometimes called Hermann Meese Junior, deceased, to the creditors of and all persons having claims against the said deceased, to exhibit them, with the necessary vouchers, within four months after the first publication of this notice, to the said administratrix, at the office of Thos. F. Barry, Esq., room 37, 7th floor, Mills building, San Francisco, California, which said office the undersigned selects as her place of business in all matters connected with said estate of Hermann Meese, sometimes called Hermann Meese Junior, deceased.

MINNA A. D. MEESE,
Administratrix of the estate of Hermann Meese, sometimes called Hermann Meese Junior, deceased.

Dated, Oakland, November 13th, 1898.

ANNUAL MEETING NOTICE.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Oakland Loan and Investment Company will be held at their banking room, No. 480 Tenth street, Oakland, on Tuesday, the 3d day of January, 1899, at 3:30 o'clock P. M., for the purpose of electing a Board of Directors, and for transacting any other business that may legally come before them.

R. J. M'MULLEN, Secretary.

Annual Meeting.

The regular annual meeting of the stockholders of the Commercial Union will be held at the office of the company, at Emeryville, Monday, January 9, 1899, at 8 o'clock P. M., for the purpose of electing a Board of Directors and the transaction of such other business as may legally come before the meeting.

H. C. BRUNS, Secretary.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual meeting of the MOUNTAIN VIEW CEMETERY ASSOCIATION will be held in the parlors of the Central Bank, N. E. corner of Fourteenth and Broadway, Oakland, Cal., on Monday, January 9th, 1899, at 3 o'clock P. M.

WM. P. MELVIN, Secretary.

LEGAL.

NOTICE.

State and County Taxes For the Year 1898.

STATE AND COUNTY TAXES FOR the year 1898.

To all taxpayers in the county of Alameda, State of California.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, Tax Collector of the county of Alameda, State of California, is in receipt of the assessment book of said county of Alameda, and that in accordance with the provisions of Section 3746 of the Political Code of the State of California.

Notice is hereby given that the assessment book for State and county taxes for the year 1898, on all property within the county of Alameda, has been received by me, and that the taxes as shown by said assessment book are now due and payable at my office in the Court House of said county of Alameda, in the city of Oakland, county of Alameda, State of California, every day (except legal holidays) during office hours, after the second Monday in October, 1898, and as follows:

The taxes on all personal property secured by real property, and one-half of the taxes on all real property in the said county of Alameda, will be due and payable on the

SECOND MONDAY IN OCTOBER IN THE YEAR 1898,

At my office in the Court House of said Alameda county, situated in the city of Oakland, in said county, every day (not a legal holiday) during office hours as fixed by law, and will be delinquent on the

LAST MONDAY IN NOVEMBER, 1898,

At 6 o'clock P. M. of said day, and that unless paid prior thereto, fifteen per cent will be added to the amount thereof, and that if said one-half be not paid before the last Monday in April, 1899, five per cent will be added thereto.

And notice is further given that the remaining one-half of the taxes on all real property in said Alameda county for the year 1898 will be payable to the undersigned, Tax Collector of said Alameda county, as aforesaid, at the office of the Tax Collector, as aforesaid, on and after the first Monday in January, 1899, and will be delinquent on the

LAST MONDAY IN APRIL, 1899,

At 6 o'clock P. M. of said day, and that unless paid prior thereto, five per cent will be added to the amount thereof.

Notice is hereby further given that all taxes may be paid at the time the first installment, as herein provided, is due and payable.

And notice s hereby further given that in accordance with said Section 3746 of the Political Code of the State of California, and after the second Monday in October, 1898, all the taxes, whether first or second installment, before delinquency thereof, or, if delinquent, together with the percentage added thereto as is above set forth, may be paid to me at my office, as aforesaid, at any time during business hours as aforesaid, and after said

SECOND MONDAY IN OCTOBER, 1898.

And upon such full payment being made, full receipts for the taxes, both first and second installments, will be given in accordance with law.

Dated at Oakland, California, this 11th day of October, 1898.

JAMES B. BARBER,

Tax Collector of the County of Alameda, State of California.

POSTPONEMENT OF SALE.

Notice is hereby given that in the matter of sale to pay assessments delinquent, together with costs of advertising, in the matter of the opening and widening of Commerce street in the city of Oakland, as to be held by me in front of my office, City Hall, in the city of Oakland, at the hour of 10 o'clock A. M. on Thursday, the 29th day of September, 1898, that said sale was commenced at said time and place, but that pursuant to, and by reason of an order and injunction made and issued out of and by the Superior Court of the county of Alameda, State of California, dated September 26, 1898, by which I was restrained and enjoined from selling or offering for sale any parcels of land under said assessment, and pursuant to said order and injunction, the further proceedings under said sale and notice of sale were by me at said time and place postponed until the hour of 10 o'clock A. M. of September 30, 1898, at the same place, and that such proceedings and further proceedings under said notice of sale and sale thereunder would be by me postponed from day to day until ten o'clock A. M. of the succeeding day until said injunction be released dismissed or made permanent, and that, upon the dissolution of such injunction I will proceed at 10 o'clock on the day following such dissolution with such sale and continue the same until the completion thereof.

Dated September 26, 1898.

M. K. MILLER,

Superintendent of Streets of the city of Oakland.

ADMINISTRATOR'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE.

Notice is hereby given that, in pursuance of an order of the Superior Court of the county of Alameda, State of California, made on the 1st day of June, 1897, in the matter of the estate of Catharine M. Akerly, deceased, the undersigned, the administrator of the estate of Catharine M. Akerly, deceased, will sell at private sale, to the highest bidder, for cash, in United States gold coin, and subject to confirmation by said Superior Court, on or after Friday, the 30th day of December, 1898, at the office of John R. Glascock, at No. 969 Broadway street, rooms 54 and 55, in the city of Oakland, county of Alameda, State of California, all the right, title, interest and estate of the said Catharine M. Akerly, at the time of her death, and all the right, title and interest that said estate has, by operation of law or otherwise, acquired, other than or in addition to that of said Catharine M. Akerly at the time of her death in and to the following described real estate, to-wit:

That certain tract or parcel of land situated in said city of Oakland, and known and described as follows: Beginning at a point on the westerly line of Adeline street distant thereon 249 feet northerly from the northerly line of 14th street and running thence northerly along said line of Adeline street 230 feet, thence westerly and parallel with said line of 14th street 256 6-12 feet, thence southerly and parallel with said line of Adeline street 230 feet and thence easterly and parallel with said line of 14th street 256 6-12 feet to the point of beginning. Being a portion of block No. 587 as per Boardman's Map of the City of Oakland, and block No. 236 as per Whitcher's Map of the City of Oakland.

Terms and conditions of sale: Cash in United States gold coin. Bids or offers may be made at any time after the first publication of this notice and before the making of the sale. All bids or offers must be made in writing and left at said office of John R. Glascock, or delivered to the undersigned personally.

Bids or offers may be made for the whole of said property, or for any subdivision or subdivisions thereof.

JAMES C. S. AKERLY,
Administrator of the estate of Catharine M. Akerly, deceased.

Dated Oakland, Cal., December 10th, 1898.

NOTICE.

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LEGAL.

Notice of Sale of Real Estate by Administratrix.

In the Superior Court of the city and county of San Francisco, State of California.

Department 9.

In the matter of the estate of Delia Kelly, alias Bridget Holland, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that in pursuance of orders of the Superior Court of the city and county of San Francisco, State of California, made on the 28th day of October, 1898, and on the 7th day of December, 1898, in said matter, the undersigned, administratrix with the will annexed of said estate, will sell at private sale, to the highest bidder, for cash in gold coin of the United States, on or after the 17th day of December, 1898, subject to confirmation by said Court, all the right, title, interest and estate of the said Delia Kelly at the time of her death, and all the right, title and interest that the said estate has by operation of law or otherwise acquired since her death, in and to all that certain piece or parcel of land situated in the city of Oakland, county of Alameda and State of California, and described as follows:

Commencing at a point in the westerly line of San Pablo avenue distant thereon one hundred and fifty feet southerly from the southwesterly corner of San Pablo avenue and Thirty-second street; running thence southerly along said line of San Pablo avenue twenty-five feet; thence at right angles westerly ninety-six feet and eleven and one-half inches; thence northeasterly twenty-five feet and ten and three-fourths inches to a point distant westerly from the westerly line of San Pablo avenue, ninety feet and two inches, and thence easterly ninety feet and two inches to point of commencement. Being lot No. 7 in block 67, Glascock tract, as per map thereof filed July 16, 1877, in Recorder's office of said Alameda county. Together with the improvements thereon.

Bids or offers for said property must be in writing and will be received by the undersigned at any time after the first publication of this notice and before the making of sale, at the law office of M. Cooney, rooms 102 and 103, Phelan building, in the city and county of San Francisco, State of California. The said property will be sold in one parcel.

Ten per cent of the amount bid must be paid to the undersigned on the day of sale and the balance on confirmation of sale by said Court.

Dated Dec. 8th, 1898.

DORA A. KELLY,
Administratrix with will annexed of the estate of Delia Kelly, alias Bridget Holland, deceased.

M. COONEY, Phelan Building, San Francisco, and M. E. BABB, Att'ys for Administratrix.

DIVIDEND NOTICES.

Central Bank, Oakland, Cal.

For the six months ending December 31, 1898, a dividend has been declared at the rate of three and 75-100 (3 75-100) per cent per annum on all term deposits, payable on and after January 2, 1899. Said dividend, if not called for, to be added to the principal and draw like interest from January 1, 1899.

C. R. YATES, Cashier.

THE OAKLAND BANK OF SAVINGS, OAKLAND, CAL.

For the six months ending December 31, 1898, a dividend has been declared at the rate of three and seventy-five one-hundredths (3.75) per cent per annum on ALL savings deposits, free of taxes, payable on and after Tuesday, January 3, 1899. Dividends not called for are added to and bear the same rate of dividend as the principal from January 1, 1899.

W. W. GARTHWAITE, Cashier.

The Union Savings Bank, Oakland, Cal.

A dividend has been declared to depositors for the six months ending December 31st, 1898, at the rate of three and seventy-five hundredths (3.75) per cent per annum on all SAVINGS DEPOSITS, payable on and after January 3d, 1899. Dividends not called for are added to and bear the same rate of interest as the principal from January 1, 1899.

A. E. H. CRAMER, Cashier.

FARMERS' AND MERCHANTS' SAVINGS BANK OF OAKLAND, CAL.

For the six months ending December 31st, 1898, a dividend has been declared at the rate of three and seventy-five one-hundredths (3.75) per cent per annum, on all savings deposits, payable on and after Tuesday, the 3rd day of January, 1899. Dividends not called for are added to the principal and bear a like rate of interest.

JAMES C. M'KEE, Cashier.

Stockholders Meeting.

THE OAKLAND BANK OF SAVINGS, OAKLAND, CAL.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Oakland Bank of Savings will be held at the office of the corporation, northeast corner of Broadway and Twelfth streets, Oakland, on Monday, January 9, 1899, at 3 o'clock P. M.

ISAAC L. REQUA, President.

Stockholders' Annual Meeting.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the First National Bank of Oakland, California, will be held on Tuesday, January 10th, 1899, at 3:30 o'clock P. M., at the banking room, No. 1000 Broadway street, Oakland, Cal.

P. E. BOWLES, President.

L. G. BURPEE, Cashier.

ANNUAL MEETING.

THE UNION SAVINGS BANK, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of The Union Savings Bank of Oakland, California, will be held at the banking house, southeast corner of Ninth street and Broadway, Oakland, Cal., on Tuesday, January 10th, 1899, at 2 o'clock P. M.

A. E. H. CRAMER, Secretary.

STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING.

CENTRAL BANK, OAKLAND, CAL.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Central Bank will be held at the office of the corporation, northeast corner of Broadway and Fourteenth streets, on Tuesday, January 10th, 1899, at 3 o'clock P. M.

W. G. PALMANTEER, Vice-President.

Annual Meeting of Stockholders Union National Bank.

The twenty-fourth annual meeting of the stockholders of the Union National Bank of Oakland, California, will be held at the office of the corporation, northwest corner of Twelfth and Broadway streets, Oakland, on Tuesday, January 10th, 1899, at 3 o'clock P. M.

THOMAS PRATHER, President.

C. E. PALMER, Cashier.

Dated Oakland, Cal., Dec. 9th, 1898.

Annual Meeting.

FARMERS' AND MERCHANTS' SAVINGS BANK OF OAKLAND, CAL.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Farmers' and Merchants' Savings Bank of Oakland, California, will be held at the office of the corporation, No. 1101 Broadway, Oakland, on Tuesday, the 10th day of January, 1899, at 10 o'clock A. M.

EDSON F. ADAMS, President.

JAMES C. M'KEE, Secretary.

Kona.. Coffee 30c lb.

GREAT WESTERN IMPORTING TEA COMPANY.

1063 Washington St., near 12th.

ANNUAL MEETINGS OF MANY ORGANIZATIONS

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Oakland Building and Loan Association will be held at the office of the secretary, 1151 Twenty-third avenue, East Oakland, on January 9th, at 7:30 P. M. A board of directors will be elected and other business transacted.

The regular annual meeting of the People's Building and Loan Association will be held at 454 Ninth street on January 9th at 7:30 P. M. Nine directors will be chosen and yearly reports will be read.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Farmers' and Merchants' Savings Bank of this city will be held at 1102 Broadway, the office of the corporation, on Tuesday, January 10th, at 10 o'clock A. M.

The stockholders of the First National Bank of this city will hold their annual meeting on Tuesday, January 10th, at 3:30 P. M. at the banking rooms, 1000 Broadway.

The Mountain View Cemetery Association will meet on January 9th at 3 o'clock in the parlors of the Central Bank, Fourteenth and Broadway.

A meeting of the stockholders of the Union Savings Bank will be held on January 10th at 2 P. M. at the banking house, corner Ninth and Broadway.

On Tuesday, January 10th, at 3 o'clock P. M. the stockholders of the Union National Bank will hold their twenty-fourth annual meeting at the office, Twelfth and Broadway.

The Central Bank's stockholders will hold their annual meeting on Tuesday, January 10th, at 3 o'clock P. M. at the office of the corporation, Broadway and Fourteenth street.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Oakland Bank of Savings will be held at the banking rooms, Broadway and Twelfth street, on Monday, January 9th, at 3 o'clock P. M.

The Y. M. C. A. will hold its annual meeting at the association rooms, Twelfth and Clay streets, on Monday, January 9th, at 6 o'clock P. M. Trustees for the ensuing year will be elected, annual reports will be read and other business transacted.

COMPANY "A" WILL ENTERTAIN FRIENDS

All the arrangements have been completed for the military ball to be given by Company A, Fifth Regiment, N. G. C., on New Year's eve. The music will be good, the decorations are to be on an elaborate scale, and the committee promises a good time to all the friends of the organization who attend.

On the committee of arrangements are Lieutenant E. G. Hunt, chairman; Lieutenant W. J. Downie, Sergeant Jumper, Sergeant E. Tait, Sergeant H. Taber, Corporal E. Poulter, Corporal C. Crone, Corporal P. Fellows, Musician F. Petersen, M. Hermann, Corporal Dickerson, Private M. Glas and Private R. E. York; floor director, Lieutenant William J. Downie; assistant floor director, M. Glas.

Dollars for Halves

Usually it's a dull week after Christmas. We like a brisk business all the time, so we cut the price of Christmas Goods in half for quick selling . . .

WHILE THEY LAST

Silk Handkerchiefs, Tartan plaids, hemstitched border, were sold at 50c, now

25c

Fancy Embroidered Suspenders, in handsome box, were sold at $1, now

50c

Fancy Embroidered Suspenders, in handsome box, were sold at 50c, now

25c

Japonette Handkerchiefs, hemstitched, were sold at 25c, now

12½c

Mackintoshes, cut box style, and with cape, were sold at $6, now

$3.00

Ladies' Fedora Hats, in browns, blacks, grays and tans, were sold at $1.50, $2.00 and $5, now

$1.00

Neckwear, Silk Reefers, Underwear Smoking Jackets, etc., at half.

M. J. KELLER CO.

1105-1109 Broadway.

WORK OF THE CITY FATHERS.

Fred Murdock Is Appointed City Wharfinger.

Sanitary Rules Will Not Be Enforced.

At the meeting of the City Council last night, Fred Murdock, Ex-Fire-Warden of this city was elected City Wharfinger, vice P. L. White, resigned.

The resignation of White as City Wharfinger to take effect December 31st, was read and a resolution accepting the same to enable him to accept the position of Constable in East Oakland was read and adopted.

When nominations were declared in order, Mr. Pringle placed in nomination for the position of City Wharfinger, Fred Murdock.

Mr. Woodward addressed the chair, saying: "Mr. President I take pleasure in placing in nomination the name of an old soldier who served with credit in the late war and who was always number one at the guns. If appointed to the position, I know he will fulfill the duties with satisfaction to the people. I therefore place in nomination the name of H. P. Denning."

Mr. Girard seconded the nomination of H. P. Denning, saying:

"I take pleasure in seconding the nomination of Comrade Denning. I think the office can be filled by an old soldier and I think we should give the old soldiers the preference. Before the election, everybody was willing to do anything for the old soldiers to get their votes."

Mr. Brosnahan said: "I rise to place in nomination the name of a man who has a record as wharfinger and I know the city has never had a better man in the place. He is also an old soldier but I have not looked up his record. I place in nomination M. K. Houghton."

Mr. Watkinson said: "Mr. President. I have in my mind the name of a man, a good Republican, whom I had intended to place in nomination but I see that I am up against it and I therefore, will not place his name before you but will second the nomination of Mr. Murdock."

The vote was then called, each member signifying his choice as his name was called. The first ballot resulted as follows:

For Murdock--Earl, Henneberry, Pringle, Watkinson, and President Heitmann--5.

For Houghton--Brosnahan, Cuvellier-2.

For Denning--Girard, Rowe, and Woodward--3.

Brosnahan stated that as he seemed to be like Watkinson, up against it, he would change his vote to Murdock. As this gave Murdock six votes and a majority, Girard moved to make the vote unanimous.

President Heitmann stated that that could not be done and asked the clerk to propose a resolution declaring the successful candidate elected. This was done and adopted and Murdock was declared elected City Wharfinger his term of office to begin January 1st.

SALE OF CIGARETTES.

Mr. Woodward's ordinance prohibiting the sale of cigarettes to boys under 16 years of age was then read and Mr. Woodward moved that it be passed to print.

"We have just passed an ordinance" said Mr. Earl, "covering that and I can't see the necessity of passing another. You can go into any store in town and buy all the cigarettes you want.

Mr. Woodward stated that the ordinance was illegal and could not be enforced.

Mr. Henneberry called attention to the fact that the City Attorney had reported the ordinance legal. He further stated that since it had been in force, there were no cigarettes on sale and he had not seen any small boys smoking them in public places.

Mr. Watkinson explained his position by saying that he believed the present ordinance a good one and that it had had a good effect. He said he had a boy and did not want him to smoke cigarettes. He would rather buy him a pipe.

Mr. Upton said he was in favor of anything that would place a restriction upon the cigarette habit and, as the presentordinance was all right he saw no necessity of adopting another one.

On motion the ordinance was indefinitely postponed.

An ordinance declaring forfeited the franchise granted by Ordinance No. 1772, known as the crematory franchise approved October 29, 1896 was passed to print.

A BLOW AT KENO.

Mr. Cuvellier introduced an ordinance prohibiting the playing of keno in this city or to take part as an employe in the game, as also making it a punishable offense to rent places in which to play keno.

At the request of Mr. Cuvellier Chief of Police Fletcher said that he had arrested a person for playing keno, and the courts had decided that keno was not a banking game. Since then the game had been opened in several places and parties had come here from Sacramento and had opened up the game. In Sacramento the game had been closed up and he had gotten a copy of the ordinance which had been passed up there, and the ordinance introduced was a copy of the same. He had been unable to stop the game, and asked for the passage of the ordinance to enable him to prevent the playing of the game.

Mr. Cuvellier asked if the chief considered keno a gambling game.

Chief Fletcher said that he thought it was a gambling game.

President Heitmann suggested that the chief ought to take Mr. Cuvellier around and let him see how the game was played.

The matter was referred to the Ordinance and Judiciary Committee.

CHEMIST AND BACTERIOLOGIST.

C. W. Snook was allowed the floor and presented a petition asking for the passage of an ordinance providing for the appointing of a chemist for the city of Oakland at a salary of $25 a month.

He also asked for the passage of an ordinance providing for the ppointment of a bacteriologist for the city of Oakland at a salary of $50 a month. Both of these ordinances were referred to the Ordinance and Judiciary Committee.

The ordinance granting a franchise for a crematory to J. W. Northrup for fifty years was re-referred to the Ordinance and Judiciary Committee, which will meet next Friday night.

ANTI-EXPECTORATION.

The ordinance prohibiting spitting on the street and in public places was brought up. The clerk said that the committee on Ordiance and Judiciary had recommended that it be indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Woodward said that he thought the ordinance was a good one and ought to be passed.

He handed to the clerk a lengthy communication showing how diseases could be communicated by means of spittle in public places. The communication closed with a resolution recommending that notices be placed in all cars and public places recommending that spitting be discontinued.

Mr. Woodward moved that the ordinance be passed to print. The motion was seconded by several Councilmen.

Mr. Rowe said he favored the passage of the ordinance. He had introduced an ordinance on the same subject some time ago and it had been killed. He did not see what harm could be done by passing the ordinance. If it were passed it would conduce to cleanliness. The ordinance could be enforced. It had been enforced in places in which it had been passed. Mr. Rowe then told of a case of a diphtheretic patient in East Oakland who had been expectorating on the sidewalk and who had been taken in hand and confined in a house and thus prevented from spitting in places where it would do a great deal of bodily harm. The city had a good Board of Health, which should be encouraged in its work to prevent the dissemination of disease.

Mr. Cuvellier said he "heartily endorsed all that Mr. Rowe had said. It was frequently impossible to reach a seat in the smoking cars on the train without taking a foot bath through slimy and disease-breeding saliva.

Mr. Upton favored the ordinance.

Mr. Henneberry said the ordinance was a good one, but it would be almost impossible to enforce it. It would require the police force to be increased by 100 men more. The Council was going too far with these little ordinances.

Mr. Woodward said he hoped the members would place themselves on record and vote in favor of the ordinance.

Mr. Girard said he thought he would vote for the ordinance, although he would do so simply because so many friends of his had asked him to vote for it. At the same time he thought there was a good deal of humbuggery in the story that disease was communicated as easily as some of the gentlemen had said. It would be just as dangerous to spit in the gutter as it would be on the sidewalk. The ordinance could not be enforced. He would favor it if the ordinance were amended so as to confine its effect to the fire limits. It was ridiculous to think of preventing a man on a ranch in the annexed district from spitting. There are many places, they have no gutters for half a mile at a time. As to Mr. Woodward's suggestion about going on record, Mr. Woodward, he said, had already made a record for himself.

Mr. Watkinson said the ordinance had not been enforced in San Francisco, and it could not be enforced here. The only thing it would do would be to put the city in debt $25 for the publishing of the measure. He moved that the ordinance be indefinitely postponed. The motion prevailed as follows:

Ayes—Brosnahan, Earl, Girard, Henneberry, Watkinson, Heitmann—8.

Nay—Cuvellier, Pringle, Rowe, Upton, Woodward—5.

The ordinance authorizing the Fire and Police Commissioners to put another man on the police force and allowing the Chief of Police to select a clerk from the police force was read a second time and passed to print.

RESOLUTIONS.

Resolutions were disposed of as follows:

Ordering paid the following claims: V. Castro, $7.50; Hillhouse& Reardon, $27.71; Frederick & Arth, $28; H. G. Fry, $14.10; F. Fibush, $1.50.

At the request of Councilman Brosnahan, the bill of J. Fitzsimmons for wages during sickness, which had been laid over in the Auditing and Finance Committee, was brought up. The clerk stated that the bill had been referred to the Council by the Police and Fire Commissioners. Appended to the claim was a note from Dr. Pratt setting forth the illness of Fitzsimmons.

On motion of Mr. Brosnahan, the claim, amounting to $101.62, was ordered paid, Mr. Rowe alone not voting.

Extending the time for the grading, curbing and macadamizing of Fourth for East Eighteenth street to Newton avenue. Adopted.

Awarding the contract for the sewering of Castro street from the manhole 26 feet south of First, to the bulkhead line to John Geary. Adopted.

Authorizing the City Attorney to take steps to abate the nuisance in certain parts of the Watts tact. Adopted.

Rescinding resolution of intention No. 24,715 for sidewalking certain parts of Oakland and Walsworth avenues. Adopted.

Granting Easton & Wilson permission to macadamize First street between Broadway and Washington street. Adopted.

Directing the City Engineer to prepare a resolution of intention to grade, curb and macadamize Twentieth street between Webster and Harrison streets. Adopted.

Appropriating $400 for the construction of the Castro street sewer. Adopted.

Authorizing the Board of Public Works to purchase for the fire department three No. 5 Rex Solid Shell hand fire extinguishers at a cost not to exceed $100. Adopted.

Granting J. M. Bartlett permission to sewer Orchard street between Summit and Webster streets, by private contract. Referred to Street Committee.

Granting permission to Ed Cavanagh to sewer Twelfth street between Clay and Washington streets by private contract. Adopted.

Ordering a sewer in Thirty-fourth street from Magnolia street 122 feet westerly. Adopted.

Requesting the Oakland Gas, Light and Heat Company to lay gas pipes on Tenth avenue between East Twenty-second and East Twenty-fourth streets at once. Adopted.

Requesting the water companies to lay water pipes on Tenth avenue between East Twenty-second and East Twenty-third streets. Adopted.

Ordering First street macadamized from Broadway to Franklin street. Adopted.

Adopting plans and specifications for the sewering of Thirty-fourth street from Magnolia to a point 122 feet westerly.

Instructing the Chief of Police to detail a captain and a member of the police force to count the animals destroyed in the Pound.

Mr. Earl said that this work was already done under the inspection of the police. Auditing and Finance Committee.

Extending till January 5th the time for the completion of the West Oakland engine house. Adopted.

Re-referring to the Finance Committee the sick claim of William McCurdy, extraman, of $57.12.

Rejecting the claim of Dr. J. T. Kitchings for $105. Adopted.

Appropriating $993 for the repair of the city wharf. Adopted.

Paying J. B. Redding $17.50 for the repair of Chemical Engine No. 2. Adopted.

The report of the Mayor and E. W. Woodward as regards the condition of the treasury of the city was read, showing that there is a total of $171,-693.17 in the public cash vault.

RESOLUTIONS OF INTENTION.

Resolutions of intention were disposed of as follows:

Sewering Twenty-third and West streets.

Remacadamizing Jefferson street between Sixth and Eighth streets.

Sidewalking East Fourteenth street between Thirteenth and Fifteenth avenues. Referred to the Street Committee.

Remacadamizing B street from Peralta street 160 feet west. Adopted.

Sidewalking Twenty-first street from Chestnut to Filbert street. Referred to Street Committee.

Sidewalking Filbert street from Twenty-first to Twenty-fourth street. Referred to Street Committee.

Sidewalking Chestnut street from Twenty-first to Twenty-second street. Referred to Street Committee.

Sidewalking Twenty-second street from Adeline to Market. Street Committee.

Sewering of East Twenty-sixth street from Twenty-first avenue to 150 feet westerly therefrom. Adopted.

Grading of Clay street from Sixth to Seventh. Adopted.

Sidewalking of Oakland and Walsworth avenues. Adopted.

PETITIONS.

From J. S. Adams et al, asking that a city bactereologist and chemist be appointed. Ordinance and Judiciary Committee.

From the trustees of Alameda to erect lights to the approach of Alice street bridges. Street Committee.

From M. A. Johnson asking that his name be stricken from the protest against the third report of the commission for the opening of a street through Cemetery creek. Filed.

From P. A. Hagin for the removal of two trees on Twelfth and Peralta streets. Street Committee.

From H. E. Penwell for an electric light at Gold street and Moss avenue.

From L. S. Bixby for appointment as city wharfinger. Filed.

From E. E. Bunce protesting against the sewering of Piedmont avenue. Street Committee.

LICENSES.

Liquor licenses were ganted as follows: C. Dechow, 701 East Twelfth street; Gustav Beckert and A. Kelso, 1700 Seventh street; Charles A. Appeldorm, 750 Jefferson street; Louis Lanz, southwest corner Seventh and Washington streets; F. J. Thomas, 874 Broadway.

D. F. Oliver Speaks of the Work of Municipal League.

"Editor Tribune—Dear Sir: I notice by the Friday's edition of your valuable paper your views of the propriety of the Municipal League taking the lead in the coming municipal election, wherein you advocate letting the political parties proceed first to make nominations and then for the League to indorse such of the nominees as it sees fit, etc.

"Now, is it not a fact that the very object of the Municipal League is to take municipal matters out of politics altogether? Not only in the coming election, but for all time; to know no party nor no politics in matters which concern the city's best interests. In other words, to direct municipal matters rather than to assist in directing them.

"While it is true the League may in time become corrupt; but in such an event let it be banished and then inaugurate another movement, having the same grand object inylew.

"Therefore, Mr. Editor, would it not be well to speed the Municipal League in the good work it proposes and so long as it hews to the line, just so long let its flag float in a pure breeze. Yours respectfully,

"D. F. OLIVER.

"Oakland, Dec. 26, 1898.

SOLDIERS REMEMBERED BY RED CROSS SOCIETY.

The soldiers at the Red Cross Convalescent Home were given an elaborate dinner by the ladies of that society. Several large tables were filled with everything which might tempt the palate of an ill soldier.

There were besides the soldiers at the Home, thirty-six soldiers who came from the hospital at the Presidio and remained to share the dinner with their comrades.

Christmas morning was spent in making preparations for the occasion. The following ladies had charge: Mrs. Abbott, Mrs. Requa, Mrs. Everts, Miss Florence Brown, Mrs. Long, Mrs. Beck, Miss Nash. The following donated food and delicacies: Master A. Henno, a chicken he had raised; Mrs. M. D. Merritt, Mrs. D. E. Hill, Mrs. Viding, Mrs. Mercham, Mrs. Bradford, Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Gruenhagen, Mr. and Mrs. McDermott, Mrs. E. P. Stone, Mr. Hanford, Mr. Brown, Mrs. Requa, Mrs. Palmern, Mrs. Thomas Crellin, Mrs. Herrick, Mrs. Coghill, Mrs. Stanly, Mrs. Barhmyte, Mrs. J. J. Valentine, Mrs. Fred Russ, Mrs. Long, Camiloni & Lagoria, Master Cockroft, and the Young Ladies' Relief Society.

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COMPLIMENT TO JAILER WM. LANE.

COUNTY JAIL,

"Oakland, Dec. 26, 1898.

"Editor Tribune—Sir: We, the prisoners at present incarcerated in the Oakland county jail, wish, through your impartial paper, to pay tribute to our jailer, Mr. Lane, who retires from his position as chief jailer on the 1st of January. We wish to express our regret that he is leaving us, as well as give our heartfelt thanks for his manifold kindnesses and courtesy toward us. Mr. Lane, although a strict disciplinarian, has always been a kind, conscientious, fair officer, with a kind word of sympathy for those who deserved it, and has never been known to have a harsh word for any unfortunate who has come under his care. He was prompt in seeing the sick attended to, civil and courteous to visitors, and his manner of treatment towards us has been the means of making our position endurable. We all join in wishing him a happy New Year and success in whatever vocation he may embark.

"PRISONERS,
"per C. A."

IMPORTANT INDUSTRY FOR THIS COUNTY.

The figures furnished by Hunt Bros. Canning Company of Haywards, giving their expenditures for the season of 1898, shows the importance of the fruit canning industry in this country. Their total pack during the season was 93,114 cases. The expenditures for the cannery, which does not include office expense nor expense of selling the output, amounted to $201,864.88, of which $72,666.88 was paid for fruit, $45,278 for labor, $40,660 for cans, $20,360 for sugar and $23,000 for other expenses.

The pack of the company was one of the largest in the State. As the goods are marketed in the East and Europe, the advertisement to Alameda county is alone worth considerable, to say nothing of the money placed in circulation in the county.

This company has made a great many changes in the plant and are contemplating still further changes for next season's business.

DURIE HIETHEIR IS AT HER HOME.

Durie Heithier, the young girl who recently attempted suicide because of her lover, George Alexander, of this city, has fully recovered from her self-inflicted wound, and has returned with her mother to the family home in Sonora. During the last four weeks of her illness Miss Heithier was in the German hospital, and had the careful attention of the skilled physicians of that institution. Mayor Phelan and other kindly disposed citizens of San Francisco saw that everything was supplied that would aid in her convalescence. Before leaving the city she wrote a letter to the Mayor asking him to extend her thanks to all the many friends who had been kind to her during her illness.

INFANT POISONED BY TAINTED MILK.

The ten-months old baby of Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Wooly of Lorin has been rendered seriously ill by drinking, it is supposed, milk which was supplied by a cow which was poisoned and which, it is believed, died from the poison on Sunday last. The cow was owned by Henry Brown of Lorin. It is nuknown of what kind of poison the animal died nor where the poison was partaken of by the animal, but it is expected that it was eaten while the animal was grazing in the fields.

Burglars Make Small Haul.

An attempt was made yesterday morning to burglarize the residence of Professor George Edwards, 1568 Webster street, but the burglars were frightened away before they secured admission to the place.

At the residence of J. O. Cadman, 1677 Valdez street, an entrance was effected and $5 in cash and some cigars were taken.

Substitution

the fraud of the day.

See you get Carter's,

Ask for Carter's,

Insist and demand

Carter's Little Liver Pills.

UNIVERSITY STUDENTS WHO TOOK DEGREES.

Regent Wallace Thinks Attorney's Fee Is Exorbitant.

Alameda Library Trustees Will Be Sued By Citizens.

BERKELEY, Dec. 28.—At a meeting of the University Board of Regents yesterday afternoon in San Francisco the proceedings were enlivened by some caustic remarks on the subject of attorneys' fees. Judge Wallace, chairman of the Law Committee, reported that C. T. Bird, who had been employed as special counsel to foreclose a mortgage of $75,000 held by the University on the St. James Hotel of San Jose, had been awarded a fee of $2,000. While admitting that the decree was binding, Judge Wallace said the fee was an exorbitant one, and that $500 would have been ample compensation for the services rendered. In the ensuing discussion it was brought out that John B. Mhoon, the regular counsel of the University, was interested in the fee awarded Bird. Judge Wallace suggested that inasmuch as Mr. Mhoon was receiving a salary of $150 a month from the University, he might collect his share of the fee and turn it into the University funds. Singular to relate, Mhoon displayed no indecent haste in doing this. Instead, he vociferated that such a proceeding on his part would be a henious breach of professional ethics.

Profoundly impressed by Mr. Mhoon's stern devotion to duty, Regent Foote moved that his salary be raised.

He thought $2,500 a year would be about the proper figure. Regent Houghton suggested thatt as there was a bare quorum present, the matter go over till the next meeting, which suggestion was adopted by the board.

Judge Wallace moved that the fee of Bird be allowed, but hoped the Regents would profit by the lesson and prevent a repetition of such a condition of things. The fee was ordered paid.

On the recommendation of President Kellogg the following degrees were conferred:

College of Natural Sciences, Degree of Bachelor of Science—Roy Fryer, Pomona; Rose Zellerbach, San Francisco.

College of Mining, Bachelor of Sciences—Alpheus F. Williams, Kimberly, South Africa.

College of Civil Engineering, Bachelor of Arts—John S. Stutt, Berkeley.

College of Chemistry, Bachelor of Sciences—Irving C. Allen, Pasadena.

College of Letters, Bachelor of Arts—Emilie Avy, San Francisco; Milton E. Blanchard, San Francisco; Grace Esther Dibble, Berkeley; Florence M. Hanna, Oakland; Mary E. Loy, Berkeley; George H. Powers, San Francisco; Clara M. Stark, San Francisco.

College of Natural Sciences, Master of Sciences—A. A. Lawson, Berkeley.

College of Social Science, Master of Letters—Vida Sherman, Oakland.

College of Letters, Doctor of Philosophy—Milicent W. Shinn, Niles.

College of Social Sciences, Bachelor of Philosophy—Mary E. Bell, Berkeley; Ella Castelhun, San Francisco; Burney H. Donnell, Los Angeles; Roscoe A. Goodsell, Oakland; Edith V. Henrici, San Francsico; Florence May Jones, Berkeley; Viva B. McArthur, San Francisco; Leon L. Roos, San Francisco; Rex W. Sherer, Ventura; Clara H. Smith, Nordhoff; Otto Wedemyer, Los Angeles; Ralston Whitcomb, Berkeley.

College of Social Science, Bachelor of Letters—Ethel M. Arthur, Stockton; Edna Blum, San Francisco; Camille Levy, Santa Barbara; Cornelia McKinne, San Francisco; Guy Van Schaick, Gilroy.

Charles E. Thomas, president of the Associated Students of the University, is in charge of a movement to urge upon the Legislature the importance of the proposed $20,000 appropriation for an auditorium for University meetings, as Stiles' Hall is inadequate for that purpose.

The Debating Society of the Oakland High School has accepted a challenge from the Forum of the Berkeley High School for a public debate. The contest will be held in Oakland about the middle of the next school term.

Professors Meyer E. Jappa and D. T. Fowler of the Agricultural Department of the University left this afternoon to conduct Farmers' Institutes at Hanford and Das Palos.

ALAMEDA NEWS.

ALAMEDA, Dec. 28.--Several prominent citizens of Alameda have organized a movement to bring suit against the Free Library Trustees under whose administration John Harbourne was librarian, to recover the amount of Harbourne's defalcation. Harbourne cashed $2,300 of warrants drawn to pay San Francisco firms who furnished supplies for the library. He appropriated the money, and the firms are now suing the city to determine who shall stand the loss. The citizens who propose to sue the Library Trustees claim that as Harbourne was appointed by them he was their agent, and they are therefore responsible for his actions. They also contend that the board's method of conducting its affairs was loose and unbusinesslike, and that Harbourne was entrusted with matters entirely outside of his jurisdiction. Should the courts decide that the Library Trustees are responsible for Harbourne's defalcation the money recovered will be turned into the City Treasury and new warrants drawn in favor of those forged by the absconding librarian.

Captain E. A. Von Schmidt scored an important point yesterday morning in the suit brought by his wife for a separation. Mrs. Von Schmidt's motion for $300 attorney's fees and $100 a month alimony pending the proceedings was denied. Captain Von Schmidt then voluntarily offered to pay $75 a month for the support of his children. He said that his wife had offered to drop the proceedings and return to him, for the sake of the children, but that as she had gone to extremes he would not listen to a compromise. He did not object to a separation, but would fight her attempt to secure permanent alimony.

William Wahmuth of the Police Department and Miss Lina Thompson were married on Saturday afternoon at San Rafael. At St. Joseph's Church at 7 o'clock last Saturday evening occurred the marriage of Peter Berges and Miss Jennie Mouton, Rev. Father Foley officiating. Miss Rosa Chapelin was maid of honor, Miss Louisa Coze bridesmaid and Misses Louisa Halsey and Julia Delaruelle the flower girls. Joseph Berible attended the groom. A wedding supper was served at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jules Mouton, 2217 Encinal avenue.

Frank May, the eight-year-old son of John May of Encinal avenue, was accidentally shot in the forehead with an air-gun by a playmate named Johnson. The wound is not serious.

Next Sunday afternoon will occur the ceremony of laying the corner-stone of the new parish house of Christ Episcopal Church, and the event will be an impressive one. The address will be delivered by Bishop Nichols. On Sunday morning the rector, Rev. Dr. T. J. Lacey will speak on the "Parish House Idea," as developed recently by the Episcopal Church in this country.

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MRS. IDA HOLTON IS NOW PENITENT.

Mrs. Ada Holton left yesterday for the asylum at Stockton. Before leaving she expressed her deep regrets to Matron McDonald of the Receiving Hospital for her attack upon her which came so near ending in the matron being killed. She said while weeping: "I am sorry for what I did. I expected my husband that morning and when he did not come I became excited. I am glad I did not hurt you any more."

Mrs. Holton seemed to be fully aware of her condition and also knew she was being taken to an asylum. Just before leaving she once more asked the forgiveness of the matron and expressed a hope that she would be able to return soon. Miss McDonald assured the woman of her being forgiven and she departed quietly.

PLAINTIFF SCORES A TEMPORARY VICTORY

Judge Greene yesterday overruled a demurrer to an amended complaint in the suit of Jose G. Moraga against Arcadia A. and Timothy Mahoney. This is regarded as a temporary victory for the plaintiff. Moraga brought the suit to recover $1,500 which he was induced to invest in a perpetual motion machine which was to revolutionize the world. Moraga claims the scheme has failed while the Mahoneys claim they have not had time to finish it.

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If you had taken two of Carter's Little Liver Pills before retiring you would not have had that coated tongue or bad taste in the mouth this morning. Keep a vial with you for occasional use.

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